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Set	Items	Description
S1	39429	MAGNETORESISTIV? OR MR OR GMR
S2	917588	SENSOR? OR HEAD? OR ELEMENT? OR MRAM OR MAGNETIC?()RAM
S3	834213	FILM? OR THINFILM? OR LAYER? OR OVERLAY? OR OVERLAID? OR L-AMIN? OR LAMEL? OR MULTILAYER? OR SHEET OR LEAF? OR FOIL? OR -COAT? OR TOPCOAT?
S4	527346	OVERCOAT? OR VENEER? OR SHEATH? OR COVER? OR ENVELOP? OR E-NCAS? OR ENWRAP? OR OVERSPREAD? OR UNDERLAY? OR UNDERLAID?
S5	866	BARKHAUSEN(2N)NOISE OR MBN OR DOMAIN()CONTROL? OR LONGITUDINAL?()BIAS
S6	130	10()M()CM OR MILLI()OHM()CENTIMETER? OR M()OHM()CM
S7	275215	SIO2 OR SI02 OR GLASS OR SILICON()DIOXIDE
S8	136	COCRPT
S9	1015964	S3 OR S4
S10	2711	S1(3N)S2
S11	131	S5(5N)S9
S12	7	S10(S)S11(S) (S7 OR S8)
S13	0	S12(S)S6
S14	68	S10(S)S11
S15	0	S14(S)S6
S16	19	S14/TI,AB,CM
S17	15	S16 NOT S12
S18	1	S1(S)S11(S)S7(S)S8
S19	1	S18 NOT (S12 OR S17)
S20	2	S5(S)S7(S)S8
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**Magnetoresistive film**  
**Magnetoresistives Element**  
**Film magnetoresistif**

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APPLICATION (CC, No, Date): EP 2002258894 021223;

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ABSTRACT EP 1324356 A1

A magnetoresistive film (41) includes a pinned ferromagnetic layer (53)  
, a free ferromagnetic layer (57), an intermediate layer (56) interposed  
between the pinned (53) and free ferromagnetic (57) layers, and a pinning  
layer (52) contacting the pinned ferromagnetic layer (53). The free  
ferromagnetic layer (57) is made of a ferromagnetic layered material  
including a cobalt nickel iron alloy layer (57b), and a cobalt iron alloy  
layer (57a) laid over the cobalt nickel iron alloy layer (57b). It has  
been demonstrated that the cobalt nickel iron alloy layer (57b) serves to  
reliably establish uniaxial magnetic anisotropy in the cobalt iron alloy  
layer (57a). Moreover, even if the thickness of the cobalt nickel iron  
alloy layer (57b) as well as the cobalt iron alloy layer (57a) is  
reduced, the uniaxial magnetic anisotropy can surely be maintained in the  
ferromagnetic layered material (57).

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...SPECIFICATION to intersect, by an inclined angle (theta), the flat  
surface of the non-magnetic gap **layer** 34.

Likewise, a pair of **domain control** hard magnetic films 42 are  
formed to extend along the air bearing surface 28 over...

...hard magnetic films 42 may be made of a hard magnetic material such as  
CoPt, CoCrPt, or the like.

Lead layers 43 are formed to extend over the surface of the...

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**Magnetic head and magnetic disk apparatus provided therewith**  
**Magnetkopf und Plattenlaufwerk mit demselben**  
**Tete magnetique et appareil l'utilisant**

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DESIGNATED STATES: DE; FR; GB

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PATENT ABSTRACTS OF JAPAN vol. 096, no. 009, 30 September 1996 & JP 08  
115511 A (HITACHI LTD)  
IEEE TRANSACTIONS ON MAGNETICS, SEPT. 1988, USA, vol. 24, no. 5, ISSN  
0018-9464, pages 2215-2220, XP002035282 MIURA M ET AL: "Annealing  
behavior of magnetic anisotropy in CoNbZr films";

ABSTRACT EP 809237 A1

A magnetic head having a magnetoresistive head having a spin valve  
structure in which a composite magnetic layer of a rotatable magnetizing  
direction layer and oxide or the like is used for a lower shielding layer  
(10) and/or an upper shielding layer (90) and a magnetic disk apparatus  
using such a head are disclosed. According to the invention, a magnetic  
head having a head of a magnetoresistance effect type generating a high  
output with low noises and a magnetic disk apparatus having a large  
quantity with high recording density can be realized, if the material of  
the shielding layers has a low activation energy to change its magnetic  
anisotropy.

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CLAIMS B	(French)	200133	265
SPEC A	(English)	199711W3	4472
SPEC B	(English)	200133	4536
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DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENT

Fig. 1 shows an embodiment in which a **magnetoresistive head** using the composite magnetic film is fabricated. A composite magnetic film of 2 ( $\mu$ )m obtained by adding 4 mol% of **SiO<sub>2</sub>** )) to NiFe is formed and used as a lower shielding layer 10. The surface roughness...

...and coupled by a heat treatment with field applied to the height direction of the **MR sensor** at 260(degree)C for four hours. A magnetic **domain control film** 60 and an electrode 70 are formed by a hard bias structure. Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>) of...

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**Magnetoresistive head, manufacturing method of the head and magnetic recording/reproducing drive**

**Magnetoresistiver Kopf, Herstellungsverfahren dafur und Magnetaufzeichnungs -/wiedergabelaufwerk**

**Tete magnetoresistive, methode de fabrication de la tete et entrainement d'enregistrement/de reproduction magnetique**

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PATENT ABSTRACTS OF JAPAN vol. 95, no. 001 & JP-A-07 014125 (NGK  
INSULATORS LTD), 17 January 1995,

PATENT ABSTRACTS OF JAPAN vol. 95, no. 008 & JP-A-07 220246 (HITACHI  
LTD), 18 August 1995,

PATENT ABSTRACTS OF JAPAN vol. 95, no. 004 & JP-A-07 098822 (HITACHI  
LTD), 11 April 1995,;

ABSTRACT EP 762389 A1

A magnetoresistive head is composed of a soft magnetic layer (22) formed on a substrate (21), a magnetic isolation layer (23) formed on the soft magnetic layer (22), a magnetoresistive layer (24) formed on the magnetic isolation layer (23), and a magnetic domain controlling magnetic layer (25), which is made of an anti-ferromagnetic layer or a hard ferromagnetic layer having a magnetically non-active thickness, for covering a sense region (S) of the magnetoresistive layer (24). Accordingly, because the magnetic domain controlling magnetic layer (25) grows on the magnetoresistive layer (24) in succession to the growth of the magnetoresistive layer (24), there is no probability that a natural oxide is produced in a boundary region between the magnetoresistive layer (24) and the magnetic domain controlling magnetic layer (25). Also, there is no probability that a film thickness of the magnetoresistive layer placed under the magnetic domain controlling magnetic layer (25) changes. Therefore, an exchange coupling magnetic field of the magnetic domain controlling magnetic layer (25) for the magnetoresistive layer (24) can be stabilized, a Barkhausen noise can be suppressed, and a superior magnetoresistive effect characteristic can be stably obtained.

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SPEC B	(English)	200142	5491
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**Magnetoresistive read transducer**  
**Magnetoresistiver Lesewandler**  
**Transducteur magnetoresistif de lecture**  
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PATENT ABSTRACTS OF JAPAN vol. 013 no. 162 (P-859) ,19 April 1989 &  
JP-A-64 001112 (HITACHI LTD) 5 January 1989,;

ABSTRACT EP 634740 A2

An MR transducer (70) is disclosed having passive end regions (71) separated by a central active region (77) in which an MR layer (81) is formed over substantially only the central active region and in which a magnetic bias layer (75,79) is formed in each passive end region. In one embodiment, each of the magnetic bias layers includes a layer of ferromagnetic material (79) and a layer of antiferromagnetic material (75) overlaying and in contact with the ferromagnetic layer to provide an exchange-coupled magnetic bias field. Alternatively a hard magnetic material is used to form the biasing layer. Each of the magnetic bias layers form an abutting junction (87) having magnetic and electrical continuity with the MR layer to produce a stable longitudinal magnetic bias field in the transducer, even when the length of the active region is small to accommodate small track widths. (see image in original

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SPEC B	(English)	9938	3831
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...SPECIFICATION is shown. The MR read transducer 30 comprises a layer of ferromagnetic material forming an **MR element** 31 which extends over substantially only a central active region 33 of the transducer and...

...35 formed in each end region 37 which forms an abutting junction 39 with the **MR element** 31 to produce a longitudinal magnetic bias field in the MR read transducer 30. Since the **MR element** 31 extends only over the central active region 33 of the transducer 30, additional side-reading suppression components are not required in this preferred embodiment. Thus, the **longitudinal bias layer** 35 in each end region 37 need only provide for electrical and magnetic continuity to the **MR element** 31. The **longitudinal bias layer** 35 may be a single layer of magnetically hard material such as cobalt-chromium (CoCr), cobalt-platinum (CoPt) or cobalt-chromium-platinum (**CoCrPt**), for example, although the use of under- and/or overcoats such as tungsten (W) or...

...Alternatively, the longitudinal bias field can be provided by ferromagnetic/antiferromagnetic exchange coupling wherein the **longitudinal bias layer** 35 comprises a **layer** 75 of antiferromagnetic material overlaying and in physical contact with a layer 79 of ferromagnetic material (as shown in Fig. 7). For example, the **longitudinal bias layer** 35 can comprise a bilayer of manganeseiron/nickel-iron (MnFe/NiFe) or a bilayer of...from which previously recorded magnetic data is to be read. The transducer 60 comprises an **MR element** 63 which extends over the central active region 65 of the transducer, and hard magnetic bias layers 67 which form abutting junction 69 with the **MR element** 63. The hard magnetic bias layers 67 extend over the end regions 61 of the transducer to produce a longitudinal magnetic bias field in the **MR element** 63. In this preferred embodiment, the **MR element** 63 can comprise a trilayer structure including a layer of ferromagnetic material, such as NiFe...  
...the MR layer by the spacer layer and provides the transverse bias field for the **MR element** 63. The hard magnetic bias layers 67 comprise a single layer of a hard magnetic material, such as **CoCrPt**, for example. Since in the junction region 69 where the hard magnetic material overlaps and...

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...lt; 0.1 ( $\mu$ m) are suitable for use with transducers utilizing hard magnetic bias **layers** to produce the **longitudinal bias** field. To ensure good electrical reliability between the **MR element** 63 and the bias layer 67, the undercut 51 of stencil 41 (as shown in...

...can be adjusted to provide some overlap 64 of the conductor leads 68 with the **MR element** 63.

Referring now also to Fig. 7, a cross-sectional view of a second embodiment...

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**Magnetoresistive sensor**

**Magneto-resistiver Fuhler**

**Capteur magnetoresistif**

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IEEE TRANSACTIONS ON MAGNETICS, vol. 29, no. 6, November 1993 NEW YORK US, pages 3820-3822, WANG P.-K. ET AL. 'Sensitivity of Orthogonal Magnetoresistive Heads'

IEEE TRANSLATION JOURNAL ON MAGNETICS IN JAPAN, vol. 8, no. 4, April 1993 NEW YORK US, pages 260-268, YAMADA K. 'Magnetoresistive Head for High Density Magnetic Recording';

ABSTRACT EP 598581 A2

A magnetoresistive sensor based on the spin valve effect in which a component of the read element resistance varies as the cosine of the angle between the magnetization directions in two adjacent magnetic layers is described. The sensor read element includes two adjacent ferromagnetic layers (33,37) separated by a non-magnetic metallic layer, the magnetic easy axis of each of the ferromagnetic layers being aligned along the longitudinal axis of the ferromagnetic layers and perpendicular to the trackwidth of an adjacent magnetic storage medium. The sense current flowing in the sensor element generates a bias field which sets the direction of magnetization in each ferromagnetic layer at an equal, but opposite, angle ( $\theta$ ) with respect to the magnetic easy axis thus providing an angular separation of  $2(\theta)$  in the absence of an applied magnetic signal. The magnetizations of both ferromagnetic layers are

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responsive to an applied magnetic field to change their angular separation by an amount  $2(\Delta)(\theta)$ . (see image in original document)

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Referring now to Figs. 2, 3 and 4, an **MR** spin valve **sensor** according to the principles of the present invention comprises a first thin film layer 33...

...and a second thin film layer 37 of magnetically soft ferromagnetic material to form an **MR element** 30 deposited on a suitable substrate 31 such as **glass**, ceramic or a semiconductor, for example. A bias conductor 43 is formed over the **MR element** 30 to provide a longitudinal bias field which ensures a single magnetic domain state in the active region of the magnetic **layers** 33, 37 to minimize **Barkhausen noise**. The bias conductor 43 is electrically isolated from the **MR element** 30 by an insulation layer of suitable material. The bias conductor is oriented with respect to the **MR element** 30 such that a current flow through the bias conductor generates a magnetic field in the **MR element** parallel to the magnetic easy axis. Electrical leads 39 and 41 of a suitable conductive material deposited over the end regions of the **MR element** 30 are provided to form a circuit path between the **MR sensor** and a current source 57 and a signal sensing means 55.

During fabrication, the magnetic...underlayer 59. Electrical leads 39, 41 are provided to form a circuit path between the **MR sensor** and a current source 57 and a signal sensing means 55. As described above, the **MR element** 30 is physically oriented such that its longitudinal axis, and hence the magnetic easy axis...

...bearing surface ABS with the read trackwidth being defined by the end width of the **MR element** exposed at the ABS. In order to reduce **Barkhausen noise**, a longitudinal bias layer 42 is deposited over one end of the **MR element** 30 remote from the ABS of the sensor. The bias layer can be of an...

...described with reference to Fig. 2, a bias conductor 42 can be formed over the **MR element** 30 separated therefrom by an insulating layer (not shown) of suitable material, such as **silicon dioxide** (**SiO2**)) or the like. A capping layer (not shown) of a high resistivity material such as Ta or Zr, for example, can also be deposited over the **MR sensor**.

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As described above, the two ferromagnetic layers 33, 37 have their magnetizations oriented parallel both...

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**Magnetic sensor.**

**Magnetischer Sensor.**

**Senseur magnetique.**

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A magnetoresistive (MR) sensor having electrically conductive lead structures (41) for electrically connecting the MR element with external circuitry is described. The lead structures comprise a first or principal conductive layer (38) overlying the MR element (32) or bias layers in the end regions of the MR sensor and extending to the air bearing surface (ABS) (31) of the sensor. A second conductive layer (36) is deposited over the first conductive layer and extends from a point (44) on the first conductive layer which is offset or recessed from the sensor ABS. The second conductive layer increases the thickness of the sensor lead structures thus reducing the total resistance of the lead structures. Since the second conductive layer is not exposed at the sensor ABS, mechanical and electrochemical requirements for the conductive materials are greatly lessened allowing a wide selection of conductive material choices for the second conductive layer. (see image in original document)

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...SPECIFICATION to Figs. 5 and 6, a second embodiment of the present invention is shown. The **MR read sensor** 50 comprises an **MR layer** 54 which extends over substantially only the central active region 56 of the sensor...

...bias layer 53 in each end region 58 forms an abutting junction with the **MR layer** 54 to produce **longitudinal bias** in the **MR read sensor** 50. Electrically conductive leads 52 comprising first or principal current-carrying lead structures 55 and...

...conductive layers 57 deposited on a major surface of the principal lead structures couple the **MR sensor** 50 to external circuitry (as shown in Fig. 1). In contrast to that described above...

...with a single layer of metallurgy such as cobalt (Co), Cr, cobalt-platinum (CoPt) or **CoCrPt**, for example, although the use of under- and/or overcoats such as tungsten (W) or...

...layer 54.

Referring now to Figs. 7 and 8, a specific embodiment 70 of the **MR sensor** 50 shown in Figs. 5 and 6 and an embodiment of a process for fabricating the **MR sensor** 70 are shown. The process comprises the steps of depositing, upon a suitable substrate (not...

...NiFe or Sendust (AlSiFe), a first gap layer 73 of an insulting material, such as **silicon dioxide** (SiO(sub 2)) or alumina (Al(sub 2)O(sub 3)), and a sensor layer...

...layer 75 as the sensor trilayer blanket material is removed in the regions that will **underlay** the **longitudinal bias layer** 79 and the first conductive lead 81 by a subtractive process such as sputter etching at Fig. 7c. The material for the **longitudinal bias layer** 79, which preferably is a hard bias layer but may alternatively be an exchange bias ...

...along with the stencil mask by the liftoff process to produce a sensor 70 having **longitudinal bias layers** 79 with overlying first conductive leads 81 in the sensor end regions only, each of the **longitudinal bias layers** 79 having a contiguous junction with the sensor trilayer structure 75 which extends over only...

...deposition and metal liftoff techniques, in a manner similar to the process for forming the **longitudinal bias layer** 79 and first conductive lead 81, as shown in Fig. 7f. As described with reference...

...the first conductive lead remote or recessed from the sensor **ABS** 85. To complete the **MR sensor** 70, the second gap layer 87 and second magnetic shield layer 89 are formed by...

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Head comprising a magnetoresistive sensor.

Kopf mit einem magnetoresistiven Aufnehmer.

Tete compressant un detecteur magnetoresistif.

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A non-linear magnetoresistive sensor comprises a magnetoresistive strip having a central sense current region (L) and a pair of lateral extensions (12,14), two electrical contacts one each electrically contacting the extensions and having uncanted surfaces adjacent the central sense current region, said surfaces being parallel to each other, and no transverse biasing means.

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...SPECIFICATION is laid down, preferably of NiFe (Permalloy). This layer 72 comprises a trailing pole/shield. **Next**, a write gap oxide **layer** 75 of, for example, aluminium oxide or **silicon dioxide**, is deposited followed by a second layer 74 of polyimide or photo resist. Metal coils  
...

...fringing fields originating during the writing process. This makes the leading and trailing poles/shields 79, 72 of different lengths. However, it has been discovered that this does not affect the written...  
...easy axis magnetisation vector or the canting of the current vector. Canting of the magnetisation **vector** **typically** increases anisotropy and reduces the range of resistivity change and thus sensitivity of the magnetoresistive...

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Magnetic tunnel junction element, tunneling magnetoresistive head, and  
production methods

Bauteil mit magnetischem Tunnelkontakt, magnetoresistiver Kopf mit  
Tunneleffekt und Herstellungsverfahren

Element magnetique a jonction de tunnel, tete magnetoresistive a effet  
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The present invention suppresses generation of the Barkhausen noise by  
providing a magnetic tunnel junction element including: a first magnetic  
layer having magnetization fixed in a predetermined direction, an  
insulation layer formed on the first magnetic layer, and a second  
magnetic layer formed on the insulation layer and changing its  
magnetization direction according to an external magnetic field, wherein  
the second magnetic layer is provided with non-conducting magnetic domain  
control films formed at both end portions on the second magnetic layer.

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...CLAIMS with non-conducting magnetic domain control films on both end  
portions thereof.

6. The tunneling magnetoresistive head as claimed in Claim 5, wherein  
said magnetic domain control film is made from an oxide-system  
antiferromagnetic material.

7. A tunneling magnetoresistive head production method...

...resist pattern excluding the both end portions on said second magnetic

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layer.

8. The tunneling **magnetoresistive head** production method as claimed in Claim 7 wherein said magnetic **domain control film** is formed using an oxide-system antiferromagnetic material.

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**Magnetoresistive film**

**Magnetoresistiver Film**

**Film magneto-resistant**

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A magnetoresistive film is disclosed which has a layered structure comprising a first ferromagnetic layer, a second ferromagnetic layer, a nonmagnetic conductive layer interposed between the first and second ferromagnetic layers, and an antiferromagnetic layer coupled with one of the first and second ferromagnetic layers. The antiferromagnetic layer comprises an antiferromagnetic material selected from an antimony-base alloy, fluoride, an FeRh-base alloy, FeS, an IrMnCo-base alloy and a CrAl-base alloy.

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...CLAIMS of Cr and said antiferromagnetic layer is formed of an FeRh-base

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alloy.

28. A **magnetoresistive element** comprising:  
a **magnetoresistive film** ; and  
a **domain control film** having a **layered** structure for controlling  
a magnetic domain of said magnetoresistive film,  
said layered structure including:  
an...

...said antiferromagnetic layer and comprising a material having a  
body-centered cubic structure.

29. The **magnetoresistive element** of claim 28, wherein said  
magnetoresistive film is the magnetoresistive film of any one of  
claims 22-27, and wherein the underlayer of the magnetoresistive  
**film** and the **underlayer** of said **domain control film** are  
formed of the same material, and wherein the antiferromagnetic layer  
of the magnetoresistive film and the antiferromagnetic **layer** of  
said **domain control film** are formed of the same material.

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00910746

**Ferromagnetic tunnel junction, magnetoresistive element and magnetic head**  
**Ferromagnetischer Tunnelubergang, magnetoresistives Element und Magnetkopf**  
**Jonction tunnel ferromagnetique, element magnetoresistant et tete**  
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This invention is directed to a ferromagnetic tunnel junction, an MR  
element and a magnetic head. A ferromagnetic tunnel junction is  
constituted by sequentially laminating a first ferromagnetic film (211),  
an insulating film (210) and a second ferromagnetic film (212). These are  
laminated on an appropriate insulating substrate (4). The present  
invention is characterized in that the barrier potential of the  
insulating film (210) is set within a range of 0.5 to 3eV. A  
ferromagnetic tunnel junction with which a high MR ratio can be achieved  
with good reproduction characteristics is provided.

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...CLAIMS the area of tunnel junction is at or less than 10 ( $\mu$ )m<sup>2</sup>).

15. A **magnetoresistive element** according to Claim 8, further comprising :

a magnetic **domain control film** provided adjacent to both end portions of either said first ferromagnetic film or said second ferromagnetic film.

16. A **magnetoresistive element** according to Claim 15, wherein :

said magnetic **domain control film** is constituted of a hard ferromagnetic film.

17. A magnetoresistive element according to Claim 16...

...of at least one alloy selected from CoPt, CoPtCr, CoPtTa, CoCrTa and CoPtTaCr.

19. A **magnetoresistive element** according to Claim 15, wherein :

said magnetic **domain control film** is constituted of an antiferromagnetic film.

20. A magnetoresistive element according to Claim 19, wherein...

...axis of another ferromagnetic film extending parallel to said applied external magnetic field.

29. A **magnetoresistive element** according to Claim 8, wherein :

of said first ferromagnetic film and said second ferromagnetic film, the ferromagnetic **film** not provided with said magnetic **domain control film** is a hard ferromagnetic **film** with a coercivity higher than the coercivity of said ferromagnetic **film** provided with said magnetic **domain control film**.

30. A **magnetoresistive element** according to Claim 15, wherein :

said magnetic easy axis of said ferromagnetic **film** provided with said magnetic **domain control film** extends perpendicular to the direction of said applied external magnetic field.

31. A **magnetoresistive element** according to Claim 15, wherein :

of said first ferromagnetic film and said second ferromagnetic film, said ferromagnetic **film** not provided with said magnetic **domain control film** is provided with a magnetization pinning film.

32. A magnetoresistive element according to Claim 31...

...Claim 31, wherein :

said magnetization pinning film is constituted of an antiferromagnetic film.

34. A **magnetoresistive element** according to Claim 31, wherein :

of said first ferromagnetic film and said second ferromagnetic

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film, said magnetic easy axis of said ferromagnetic film provided with said magnetic domain control film extends perpendicular to a direction of said applied external magnetic field, whereas said magnetic easy...

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Magnetic head having encapsulated magnetoresistive transducer and multilayered lead structure  
Magnetkopf mit verkapseltem magnetoresistivem Wandler und Multischichtleiterstruktur

Tete magnetique comportant un transducteur magnetoresistif encapsule et une structure de conducteur multicouche

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A magnetic head assembly (10) includes a read head (14) having an active central region (18) and two inactive side regions (20, 22) contiguously formed relative to the central region (18). The central region (18) includes a magnetoresistive (MR) transducer for enabling active sensing of data recorded on a magnetic medium. Protective layers encapsulate the central region (18) and separate it from the side regions (20, 22), such that diffusion and electromigration are reduced. Each end region includes a longitudinal bias layer, and a multilayered conductive section. The longitudinal bias layer may be formed of alternating layers of antiferromagnetic material and layers of soft magnetic material and/or hard magnetic longitudinal bias. The multilayered conductive section includes conductive leads (62, 63) that do not contact either the MR element or the soft bias layer (34). The conductive layers (62, 63) are interlayered between a plurality of spacers that provide structural support to the conductive section (60), and that increase the overall mechanical hardness of the conductive section (60). Some or all of the protective layers (26, 27, 30, 32) as well as the spacers of the conductive sections may be made from selected refractory materials.

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...ABSTRACT regions (20, 22), such that diffusion and electromigration are reduced. Each end region includes a **longitudinal bias layer**, and a **multilayered** conductive section. The **longitudinal bias layer** may be formed of alternating layers of antiferromagnetic material and layers of soft magnetic material and/or hard magnetic **longitudinal bias**. The **multilayered** conductive section includes conductive leads (62, 63) that do not contact either the **MR element** or the soft bias layer (34). The conductive layers (62, 63) are interlayered between a...

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00598676

**Magnetoresistive sensor having antiferromagnetic layer for exchange bias**  
**Magnetoresistiver Sensor mit antiferromagnetischer Schicht zur**  
**Austausch-Vormagnetisierung**  
**Capteur magnetoresistive avec couche antiferromagnetique pour polarisation**  
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A magnetoresistive (MR) sensor (20) comprising a sputtered layer of ferromagnetic material (35) and a sputtered layer (39) of antiferromagnetic nickel-manganese (Ni-Mn) to provide an exchange coupled longitudinal bias field in the MR element is described. The antiferromagnetic layer (39) overlays the MR layer (35) and may be patterned to provide the longitudinal bias field only in the end regions of the MR layer. Alternatively, the antiferromagnetic layer can underlay the MR layer with a Zr underlayer to enhance the exchange-coupled field. As initially deposited, the Ni-Mn layer is face-centered-cubic and exhibits little or no exchange-coupled field. After one annealing cycle at a relatively low temperature, the Ni-Mn layer is face-centered-tetragonal and exhibits increased crystallographic ordering and provides sufficient exchange coupling for the MR element to operate. Addition of chromium to the Ni-Mn alloy provides increased corrosion resistance. (see image in original document)

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CLAIMS 1. A **magnetoresistive** read **sensor** of the type having a layer of antiferromagnetic material (39) in direct contact with a layer of magnetoresistive ferromagnetic material (35) for inducing a **longitudinal bias** field in the ferromagnetic **layer**, wherein said antiferromagnetic layer comprises an alloy of manganese (Mn),

and characterised in that at...

...sensor to selected tracks on said magnetic storage medium.

24. A method for fabricating a **magnetoresistive sensor** as in any of Claims 1 to 22, having a layer of antiferromagnetic material in direct contact with a layer of magnetoresistive ferromagnetic material for inducing a **longitudinal bias** in the ferromagnetic **layer**, said method comprising the steps of:  
depositing a layer of magnetoresistive ferromagnetic material on a...

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**A magnetoresistive element**

**Magnetoresistives Element**

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ABSTRACT EP 570883 A2

In a **magnetoresistive** effect head comprising a ferromagnetic **magnetoresistive** effect layer (4), an inverse ferromagnetic **layer** (3) for generating a **longitudinal bias** magnetic field by an exchange force with respect to the ferromagnetic magnetoresistive effect layer (4), a ground layer (2) having a face-centered cubic structure is provided on only a portion of the anti-ferromagnetic layer. The **magnetoresistive** effect head preferably further comprises a soft magnetic bias-assistant layer (6) for a transversal bias magnetic field in the ferromagnetic magnetoresistive effect layer. The soft magnetic bias-assistant layer (6) has a crystal structure other than a face-centered cubic structure and the ground layer having a face-centered cubic structure is provided on only a portion of the anti-ferromagnetic layer. (see image in original document)

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...ABSTRACT.A2

In a **magnetoresistive** effect head comprising a ferromagnetic **magnetoresistive** effect layer (4), an inverse ferromagnetic **layer** (3) for generating a **longitudinal bias** magnetic field by an exchange force with respect to the ferromagnetic magnetoresistive effect layer (4)  
...

...centered cubic structure is provided on only a portion of the anti-ferromagnetic layer. The **magnetoresistive** effect head preferably further comprises a soft magnetic bias-assistant layer (6) for a transversal bias magnetic...

CLAIMS 1. A **magnetoresistive** element comprising a ferromagnetic **magnetoresistive** effect layer (4), an anti-ferromagnetic **layer** (3) for generating a **longitudinal bias** magnetic field with an exchange force with respect to said ferromagnetic magnetoresistive effect layer (4...

...characterized in that said ground layer (2) is provided only at end portions of the **magnetoresistive** element .

2. The **magnetoresistive** element according to claim 1, wherein said

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ground layer (2) is Cu or alloys of NiCr...

...layer (3) is made of FeMn or a material mainly composed of FeMn.

5. A **magnetoresistive element** comprising a ferromagnetic **magnetoresistive** effect layer (15), an anti-ferromagnetic layer (14) magnetoresistive effect layer, an anti-ferromagnetic **layer** (14) for generating a **longitudinal bias** magnetic field by an exchange coupling force with respect to said ferromagnetic magnetoresistive effect layer...

...characterised in that said ground layer (13) is provided only at end portions of the **magnetoresistive element**, that said soft magnetic bias-assistant layer (12) has a crystal structure other than a...

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**Magnetoresistance effect type thin film magnetic head**

**Magnetowiderstandseffekt-Dunnfilmmagnetkopf**

**Tete magnetique a film mince a effet de magnetoresistance**

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US pages 791 - 793 L. T. ROMANKIW

PATENT ABSTRACTS OF JAPAN vol. 11, no. 362 (P-640)(2809) 26 November 1987

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ABSTRACT EP 534791 A2

The **head** includes a **MR element** (1) having the electrical resistance changed according to a change in an applied signal magnetic field, a lead electrode (2) for detecting a voltage change generated across the ends of the **MR element** in which a change in electrical resistance is generated, and high coercive force films (11a, 11b) for applying a weak magnetic field to the **MR element** (1). The high coercive force films (11a, 11b) are arranged in the proximity of the ends of the **MR element** (1) and at a predetermined position between the

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ends. According to this structure, a weak magnetic field is applied in uniform over the entire **MR element** to facilitate unification of magnetic domain of the **MR element** even in the case of a long **MR element** (1). Therefore, unification of magnetic domain can easily be carried out over the entire region of the **MR element** without increasing the film thickness of the high coercive force film even in the case of a wide track width, resulting in a thin **film** magnetic head with no **Barkhausen noise** generation. (see image in original document)

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...ABSTRACT A2

The **head** includes a **MR element** (1) having the electrical resistance changed according to a change in an applied signal magnetic...

...a lead electrode (2) for detecting a voltage change generated across the ends of the **MR element** in which a change in electrical resistance is generated, and high coercive force films (11a, 11b) for applying a weak magnetic field to the **MR element** (1). The high coercive force films (11a, 11b) are arranged in the proximity of the ends of the **MR element** (1) and at a predetermined position between the ends. According to this structure, a weak magnetic field is applied in uniform over the entire **MR element** to facilitate unification of magnetic domain of the **MR element** even in the case of a long **MR element** (1). Therefore, unification of magnetic domain can easily be carried out over the entire region of the **MR element** without increasing the film thickness of the high coercive force film even in the case of a wide track width, resulting in a thin **film** magnetic head with no **Barkhausen noise** generation. (see image in original document)

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Magnetoresistive sensor

Magnetoresistiver Fuhler

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PHYSICAL REVIEW, B. CONDENSED MATTER vol. 43, no. 1, 1 January 1991, NEW  
YORK US pages 1297 - 1300 B. DIENY ET AL. 'Giant Magnetoresistance in  
soft ferromagnetic multilayers';  
CITED REFERENCES (EP B):  
PHYSICAL REVIEW, B. CONDENSED MATTER vol. 43, no. 1, 1 January 1991, NEW  
YORK US pages 1297 - 1300 B. DIENY ET AL. 'Giant Magnetoresistance in  
soft ferromagnetic multilayers'  
J. Appl. Phys. 67 (9), 1 May 1990, pages 5680-5682;

ABSTRACT EP 490608 A2

A magnetoresistive (MR) sensor is disclosed which comprises a first and  
a second thin film layer of a magnetic material separated by a thin film  
layer of a non-magnetic metallic material. The first ferromagnetic layer  
is magnetically soft. The magnetization direction of the first layer of  
magnetic material is set substantially perpendicular to the magnetization  
of the second layer of magnetic material at zero applied field, and the  
magnetization direction of the second layer of magnetic material is  
fixed. A current flow is produced through the MR sensor, and the  
variations in voltage across the MR sensor are sensed due to changes in  
resistance of the MR sensor produced by rotation of the magnetization in  
the first layer of magnetic material as a function of the magnetic field  
being sensed. The variation of the resistance with the angle between the  
magnetizations of the first and second layers of magnetic material has  
been defined as the spin valve (SV) effect. It is also shown that, by a  
suitable direction of the current with respect to the fixed  
magnetization, the (SV) magnetoresistance can be added constructively to  
the usual anisotropic magnetoresistance. (see image in original document)

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...CLAIMS difference in rotation of the magnetization directions of said  
layers of ferromagnetic material.  
9. A **magnetoresistive sensor** as claimed in any preceding claim,  
further comprising means for producing **longitudinal bias**  
sufficient to maintain said first **layer** of ferromagnetic material  
in a single domain state.  
10. A **magnetoresistive sensor** as claimed in claim 9, wherein said  
means for producing a **longitudinal bias** comprises a biasing  
**layer** of antiferromagnetic material in direct contact with the end  
regions only of said first layer of ferromagnetic material.  
11. A **magnetoresistive sensor** as claimed in claim 9, wherein said  
means for producing a **longitudinal bias** comprises a biasing  
**layer** of hard ferromagnetic material (26) in direct contact with the  
end regions only of said...

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Very low noise magnetoresistive sensor for high density media applications.  
Magnetoresistiver Sensor mit sehr niedrigem Rauschen für die Anwendung bei  
Medien mit hoher Schreibdichte.

Palpeur silencieux a resistance magnetique pour utilisations dans des  
milieux a haute densite.

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A soft film biased **magnetoresistive sensor** (10) is fabricated to have reduced **Barkhausen noise**. The magnetic ratio of the **film** layers (14 and 18) is controlled to be in the range of 1.7 to 1.95 and the optimum bias point is controlled to be in the range of 35 and 41 degrees.

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SPEC A	(English)	EPBBF1	3008
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A soft film biased **magnetoresistive sensor** (10) is fabricated to have reduced **Barkhausen noise**. The magnetic ratio of the **film** layers (14 and 18) is controlled to be in the range of 1.7 to...

...CLAIMS A3

1. In a soft **film** biased **magnetoresistive sensor** with reduced **Barkhausen noise**, comprising a magnetoresistive **film** having a first saturated magnetic flux density for said magnetoresistive film and a first film...

...CLAIMS B1

1. A soft **film** biased **magnetoresistive sensor** with reduced **Barkhausen noise**, comprising a magnetoresistive **film** (14) having a first saturated magnetic flux density BMRS for said magnetoresistive film and a...

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JOURNAL OF THE ELECTROCHEMICAL SOCIETY. vol. 136, no. 6, June 1989, MANCHESTER, NEW HAMPSHIRE US pages 1793 - 1798; M.A. RUSSAK ET AL.: 'MnFe and NiFe Films and Magnetic Exchange Bilayers';

ABSTRACT EP 432890 A2

An improved thin film magnetoresistive (MR) sensor uses an alloy comprising  $\text{Fe}(\text{sub}((1-x)))\text{Mn}(\text{sub}(x))$  where  $x$  is within the range of 0.3 to 0.4, as an antiferromagnetic layer to provide longitudinal exchange bias in the ferromagnetic MR layer. In a specific embodiment the exchange bias is at a high level and is independent of thickness of the antiferromagnetic layer over a wide range. (see image in original document)

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...CLAIMS B1

1. A **magnetoresistive sensor** having an antiferromagnetic layer in direct contact with a magnetoresistive ferromagnetic **layer** for inducing a **longitudinal bias** in the ferromagnetic **layer**, characterised in that said antiferromagnetic layer comprises an alloy of manganese (Mn) and iron (Fe...

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**Magnetoresistive transducer.**

**Magnetoresistiver Wandler.**

**Transducteur magnetoresistif.**

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A magnetoresistive (MR) read transducer having passive end regions (50) separated by a central active region (44) in which an MR layer (42) is formed which extends over substantially only the central active region and in which a hard magnetic layer (46) is formed in each end region. The hard magnetic layers form an abutting junction (48) having electrical and magnetic continuity with the MR layer to produce a longitudinal bias in the MR sensor. The transducer is produced by a method in which the same stencil defines the extent of both the MR layer and the hard magnetic layers so that the abutting junctions are formed easily and reliably. (see image in original document)

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...ABSTRACT magnetic layers form an abutting junction (48) having  
electrical and magnetic continuity with the MR layer to produce a

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longitudinal bias in the MR sensor . The transducer is produced by a method in which the same stencil defines the extent,...

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00288694

**Magnetoresistive sensor with improved antiferromagnetic film.**

**Magnetoresistiver Sensor mit antiferromagnetischem Film.**

**Capteur magnetoresistif a film antiferromagnetique.**

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DESIGNATED STATES: DE; FR; GB

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JOURNAL OF APPLIED PHYSICS. vol. 52, no. 3, March 1981, NEW YORK US pages 2471 - 2473; C.Tsang et al: "Exchange induced unidirectional anisotropy at FeMn-Ni80Fe20 interfaces";

ABSTRACT EP 288766 A2

An improved thin film magnetoresistive (MR) sensor uses an alloy comprising Fe, Mn and Cr as an antiferromagnetic layer to provide a longitudinal exchange bias in the ferromagnetic MR layer. Sufficient exchange biasing is provided and the FeMnCr layer exhibits excellent corrosion resistance.

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...CLAIMS B1

1. A **magnetoresistive sensor** of the type having a layer of antiferromagnetic material (18) in direct contact with a **magnetoresistive layer of ferromagnetic material** (16) for inducing a longitudinal exchange bias field ( $H(\text{sub}(\text{ua}))$ ) in the magnetoresistive layer (16), the antiferromagnetic layer...

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00288691

**Magnetoresistive sensor with mixed phase antiferromagnetic film.**

**Magnetoresistiver Sensor mit antiferromagnetischem Film von gemischter Phase.**

**Capteur magnetoresistif a film antiferromagnetique de phase mixte.**

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INTERNATIONAL PATENT CLASS: G11B-005/39;

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CITED REFERENCES (EP A):

JOURNAL OF APPLIED PHYSICS. vol. 52, no. 3, March 1981, NEW YORK US pages 2471 - 2473; C.Tsang et al: "Exchange induced unidirectional anisotropy at FeMn-Ni80Fe20 interfaces";

**ABSTRACT EP 288765 A2**

An improved thin film magnetoresistive (MR) sensor uses an iron-manganese (FeMn) alloy, with the alpha (body-centered-cubic) phase of FeMn present in the alloy, as an antiferromagnetic layer. The presence of alpha FeMn improves the longitudinal exchange bias in the ferromagnetic MR layer, especially when the amount of alpha FeMn exceeds the amount of gamma (face-centered-cubic) FeMn in the FeMn layer.

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...CLAIMS B1

1. A **magnetoresistive sensor** of the type having a layer of antiferromagnetic material (18) in direct contact with a magnetoresistive **layer of ferromagnetic material** (16) for inducing a longitudinal exchange bias field ( $H(\text{sub}(\text{UA}))$ ) in the magnetoresistive layer (16), the antiferromagnetic material...

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00210413

**Magnetic transducer head utilizing magnetoresistance effect.**

**Den Magnetwiderstandseffekt verwendender Magnetwandlerkopf.**

**Tete de transducteur magnetique utilisant l'effet de magnetoresistance.**

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DESIGNATED STATES: DE; FR; GB; NL

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A; EP 218814 A

CITED REFERENCES (EP A):

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E77; & JP-A-52 134 420 (NIPPON DENKI K.K.) 10-11-1977

PATENT ABSTRACTS OF JAPAN, vol. 5, no. 92 (P-66) 764 , 16th June 1981; &  
JP-A-56 037 823 (MITSUBISHI DENKI K.K.) 11-04-1981

PATENT ABSTRACTS OF JAPAN, vol. 9, no. 24 (P-331) 1747 , 31st January  
1985; & JP-A-59 168 916 (FUJITSU K.K.) 22-09-1984

PATENT ABSTRACTS OF JAPAN, vol. 1, no. 88 (E-77) 2116 , 16th August 1977;  
& JP-A-52 023 924 (MATSUSHITA DENKI SANGYO K.K.) 23-02-1977;

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ABSTRACT EP 221540 A2

In the **MR** magnetic **head** of the present invention, its sensing element (2) comprises a plurality of superposed magnetic layers (4,5) having magnetoresistance effect in at least one of them and a nonmagnetic intermediate layer (3) sandwiched therebetween, and a sensing current (i) is fed to flow in the sensing element (2) in the same direction as a signal magnetic field applied to the element. Each of the magnetic layers (4,5) is so formed as to have an easy axis of magnetization substantially perpendicular to the signal magnetic field or to have an isotropic magnetic characteristic in the magnetic **film** plane, thereby avoiding generation of **Barkhausen noise** with certainty. (see image in original document) (see image in original document)

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SPEC B	(English)	EPBBF1	5432
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MAGNETORESISTIVE ELEMENT HAVING COMPOSITE STRUCTURE AND THIN FILM MAGNETIC HEAD INCORPORATING SAME

ELEMENT MAGNETORESISTIF POSSEDANT UNE STRUCTURE COMPOSITE ET TETE MAGNETIQUE A COUCHES MINCES COMPRENANT CELUI-CI

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#### English Abstract

The invention relates to a **magnetoresistive** read **element** and a thin film magnetic head incorporating the same. The **magnetoresistive element** (200) comprises an elongated main body portion (220) which includes the central or active region of the element, elongated neck portions (240, 260) at each end of the main body portion, transition regions (280, 300) connecting the main body portion with the neck portions, and at least two arm portions (320, 340), each connected to a neck at an angle to the longitudinal axis (L) of the main body. In a **magnetoresistive** read **element** having this shape a single magnetic domain is maintained in the central region during reading, thereby avoiding **Barkhausen noise**. An integrated thin **film** magnetic head structure may comprise a plurality of thin film magnetic heads arranged on a single substrate, each **head** incorporating the **magnetoresistive element**.

#### French Abstract

L'invention se rapporte a un element de lecture magnetoresistif et a une tete magnetique a couches minces comportant celui-ci. L'element magnetoresistif (200) possede un corps principal allonge (220) comprenant la zone centrale ou active de l'element, une partie allongee (240, 260) en forme de col a chaque extremite du corps principal, des zones de transition (280, 300) reliant le corps principal aux parties en forme de col et au moins deux bras (320, 340), chacun relie aux parties en forme de col et formant un angle avec l'axe longitudinal (L) du corps principal. Dans un element de lecture magnetoresistif de cette forme, un domaine magnetique unique est maintenu dans la region centrale lors de la lecture, evitant ainsi le bruit du a l'effet Barkhausen. Une structure de tete magnetique a couches minces integree peut comprendre une pluralite de tetes mangnetiques a couches minces disposees sur un substrat unique, chaque tete comportant ledit element magnetoresistif.

#### English Abstract

The invention relates to a **magnetoresistive** read **element** and a thin film magnetic head incorporating the same. The **magnetoresistive element** (200) comprises an elongated main body portion (220) which includes the central or active region...

...neck at an angle to the longitudinal axis (L) of the main body. In a **magnetoresistive** read **element** having this shape a single magnetic domain is maintained in the central region during reading, thereby avoiding **Barkhausen noise**. An integrated thin **film** magnetic head structure may comprise a plurality of thin film magnetic heads arranged on a single substrate, each **head** incorporating the **magnetoresistive element**

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**Magnetoresistive effect head**

**Kopf mit magnetoresistivem Effekt**

**Tete a effet magnetoresistif**

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...SPECIFICATION recording medium. The antiferromagnetic film 21 may be substituted by the permanent magnet.

The magnetic domain control layer 33 comprises a stacked layer having a permanent magnet film and an orientation control underlying film stacked. The magnetic domain control layers are arranged on the opposite sides of the widthwise area which intersects to the stack direction of the magnetoresistive effect film 10. The permanent magnet film of the magnetic domain control layer 33 may be formed of Co75))Cr10))Pt15)) or Co75))Cr10))Ta15)) and the orientation control underlying film may be formed of Cr. The permanent magnet film of the magnetic domain control layer 33 may be formed of an alloy such as Co80))Pt20)), or an alloy such as Co75))Cr10))Pt15)), Co75))Cr10))Ta20)), (CoPt, CoCrPt including oxide or CoCrTa including oxide) with an oxide such as ZrO2)), SiO2 )) or Ta2))O5)) being added. In this case, the orientation control underlying film may be...

...controlled to the single magnetic domain state by the magnetic field generated by the magnetic domain control layer 33. The magnetic domain control layer 33 may be formed of a stacked layer of an antiferromagnetic film, a ferromagnetic film...

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Magnetic head, magnetic recording and reproducing apparatus, method for  
reproducing and recording magnetic recording information  
Magnetkopf, Magnetaufzeichnungs- und wiedergabegerat, Magnetaufzeichnungsin-  
formationswiedergabe- und aufzeichnungsmethode  
Tete magnetique, appareil d'enregistrement et de reproduction magnetique,  
methode de reproduction et d'enregistrement d'information  
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There are provided a magnetic reproducing head and a magnetic recording head, which are easy to manufacture and suited for recording and reproducing by means of magnetic recording medium (810, 910, 1002) of narrow track size. The magnetic reproducing head is constituted by a GMR or TMR magnetic sensor (105, 705), and a flux guide (104, 106, 704, 706) for introducing a magnetic flux (503) into the magnetic sensor (105, 705), wherein at least a portion of the flux guide (104, 106, 704, 706) is constituted by a material which is capable of permitting the magnetic flux (503) to pass therethrough at a temperature of not lower than a predetermined temperature  $T_p$ , but not permitting the magnetic flux to pass therethrough at a temperature of lower than  $T_p$ . Light (501) is irradiated to only a portion of the flux guide (104, 106, 704, 706) to cause the temperature of the irradiated portion to rise up to  $T_p$  or more, thereby permitting a magnetic flux (503) to pass only through the irradiated portion, thus narrowing the track width of magnetic reproducing head on the occasion of detecting a magnetic recording information from the magnetic recording medium (810, 910, 1002).

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Magnetoresistive sensor for use in magnetic head for reading back  
magnetically recorded information, includes magnetic domain control  
layers for controlling Barkhausen noise of magnetoresistive sensor layer  
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NOVELTY - Magnetoresistive sensor includes magnetic domain control layers (106) for controlling Barkhausen noise of a magnetoresistive sensor layer (105). The magnetic domain control layers are disposed on and in contact with opposite ends of the magnetoresistive sensor layer in a region from the end surface of a media-opposed surface side of the magnetoresistive sensor layer to the depth position.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - A magnetoresistive sensor includes a substrate (101); a lower and an upper magnetic shield layer (103,109); a magnetoresistive sensor layer between the lower and upper magnetic shields; an electrode terminal for flowing a signal current perpendicular to the magnetoresistive sensor layer; and magnetic domain control layers for controlling Barkhausen noise of the magnetoresistive sensor layer. The magnetic domain control layers are made of a material having a specific resistance not less than 10 m.ohm.cm. They are disposed on and in contact with opposite ends of the magnetoresistive sensor layer in a region from the end surface of a media-opposed surface side of the magnetoresistive sensor layer to the depth position (110). INDEPENDENT CLAIMS are included for:

(I) a combined magnetic head mounting (a) a write element and (b) a read element comprising the above magnetoresistive sensor; and  
(II) a magnetic disk apparatus, comprising (i) a magnetic recording media, (ii) a magnetic read/write head comprising the above magnetoresistive sensor, (iii) a read/write circuit, (iv) an actuator, and (v) mechanism for controlling the read/write operation.

USE - The sensor is used for magnetic head for reading back magnetically recorded information. The magnetic head is used in magnetic disk apparatus (all claimed).

ADVANTAGE - The magnetoresistive sensor has excellent reproducing resolution in magnetic read and write.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The drawing shows a diagram showing the sectional structure of the media-opposed surface side of the inventive magnetoresistive sensor and the position of a magnetic domain control layer.

substrate (101)  
lower magnetic shield layer (103)  
magnetoresistive sensor layer (105)  
magnetic domain control layers (106)  
upper magnetic shield layer (109)

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depth position (110)

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Title Terms: MAGNETORESISTIVE; SENSE; MAGNETIC; HEAD; READ; BACK; MAGNETIC;  
RECORD; INFORMATION; MAGNETIC; DOMAIN; CONTROL; LAYER; CONTROL;  
BARKHAUSEN; NOISE; MAGNETORESISTIVE; SENSE; LAYER

Derwent Class: L03; T03

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03086990 E.I. Monthly No: EI9107079436

**Title: Effect of film thickness on the magnetic and electrical properties of permalloy magnetoresistive sensors .**

Author: Tanabe, Hideo; Kitada, Masahiro

Corporate Source: Hitachi, Ltd, Tokyo, Jpn

Source: Nippon Kinzoku Gakkaishi/Journal of the Japan Institute of Metals  
v 55 n 1 Jan 1991 p 98-104

Publication Year: 1991

CODEN: NIKGAV ISSN: 0021-4876

Language: Japanese

**Title: Effect of film thickness on the magnetic and electrical properties of permalloy magnetoresistive sensors .**

Abstract: The effect of film thickness on the magnetic and electrical properties of permalloy magnetoresistive sensors was investigated. The thickness of the thin films are between 15 and 200 nm. The films were deposited on glass substrates by electron beam deposition and formed into 10  $\mu$ m multiplied by 50  $\mu$ m...

...demagnetizing field. The half width of the magnetoresistive response curve and output voltage of the magnetoresistive sensor decrease with increasing film thickness because of the increasing demagnetizing field. The discontinuity of output voltage due to the Barkhausen effect decreases with increasing film thickness. Barkhausen noise is related to the occurrence and sudden extinction of buckling magnetic domains in thinner films...

Identifiers: BARKHAUSEN NOISE; MAGNETORESISTIVE SENSORS ; MAGNETIC COERCIVITY; PATTERNING; ALLOY PERMALLOY; FILM THICKNESS

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5128180 INSPEC Abstract Number: B9601-3120J-004

**Title: Spin-valve sensors with domain control hard magnet layers**

Author(s): Kanai, H.; Kane, J.; Aoshima, K.; Kanamine, M.; Uehara, Y.

Author Affiliation: Fujitsu Labs. Ltd., Atsugi, Japan

Journal: IEEE Transactions on Magnetism Conference Title: IEEE Trans. Magn. (USA) vol.31, no.6, pt.1 p.2612-14

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**Title: Spin-valve sensors with domain control hard magnet layers**

...Abstract: of 2  $\mu$ m and a track-width of less than 2  $\mu$ m using CoCrPt hard magnets (4  $\pi$  Mr=5500 G, Hc=1000 Oe) as a domain control layer. Barkhausen noise was completely suppressed by a longitudinal biasing field from the CoCrPt layers. The bias state was improved by applying a strong ferromagnetic exchange coupling field of...

...pinned NiFe layers through a 14  $\text{\AA}$ -thick Cu interlayer. We have also fabricated shielded CoCrPt magnet-biased spin-valve read heads with a track-width of 1.7  $\mu$ m...

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...Identifiers: domain control hard magnet layers ; ...  
... MR heads ; ...  
... CoCrPt

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05811019 E.I. No: EIP01204958368

**Title: Magnetic properties of ion beam deposited CoPt and CoCrPt films for hard bias application in high density magnetoresistive heads**

Author: Leng, Q.; Mao, M.; Hiner, C.; Miloslavsky, L.; Miller, M.; Tran, S.; Qian, C.; Tong, H.C.

Corporate Source: Read-Rite Corp, Fremont, CA, United States

Conference Title: Proceedings of the 1999 International Magnetism Conference (INTERMAG '99)

Conference Location: Kyongju, South Korea Conference Date: 19990518-19990521

E.I. Conference No.: 56196

Source: IEEE Transactions on Magnetism v 35 n 5 pt 1 Sep 1999. p 2553-2555

Publication Year: 1999

CODEN: IEMGAQ ISSN: 0018-9464

Language: English

**Title: Magnetic properties of ion beam deposited CoPt and CoCrPt films for hard bias application in high density magnetoresistive heads**

...Abstract: remnant magnetization in ion beam deposited (IBD) Cr/CoPt films as compared to IBD Cr/ CoCrPt films. In addition, the magnetic properties of these hard bias films exhibit a strong dependence...

...0) crystallographic orientation were measured in films grown on substrates in the preference order of glass, Si/Al//20//3 and Si. CoPt films grown on CrV underlayer show lower H...

...c exhibits a maximum with increasing Cr underlayer thickness for both Cr/CoPt and Cr/ CoCrPt films. This Cr thickness dependence of H//c is correlated well with that of Co...

Identifiers: Cobalt platinum alloys; Cobalt chromium platinum alloys; High density magnetoresistive heads; Ion beam deposition

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05704925 E.I. No: EIP00115403936

**Title: Effects of surface oxidization of amorphous Ni-based alloy seed layers on noise of CoCrPt /CrTi media**

Author: Matsuda, Y.; Sakamoto, K.; Takahashi, Y.; Tanahashi, K.; Kanbe, T.; Katou, A.; Hosoe, Y.

Corporate Source: Hitachi, Ltd, Kanagawa, Jpn

Conference Title: 2000 IEEE International Magnetism Conference-2000 IEEE INTERMAG

Conference Location: Toronto, Ont, Can Conference Date: 20000409-20000413

E.I. Conference No.: 57511

Source: Digests of the Intermag Conference 2000. IEEE, Piscataway, NJ, USA, 00CB37078. p BP-10

Publication Year: 2000

CODEN: DICODA ISSN: 0074-6843

Language: English

**Title: Effects of surface oxidization of amorphous Ni-based alloy seed layers on noise of CoCrPt /CrTi media**

...Abstract: and read/write performance of the media was studied. Recording performance was evaluated by a GMR head. It was found that the surface oxidation affects differently for the two kinds of...

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...Descriptors: thin films; Chromium alloys; Spurious signal noise;  
Amorphous alloys; Nickel alloys; Oxidation; Crystallography; Sputter  
deposition; **Glass** ; Magnetization

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04290364 E.I. No: EIP95112931997

Title: **Spin-valve sensors with domain control hard magnet layers**  
Author: Kanai, H.; Kane, J.; Aoshima, K.; Kanamine, M.; Uehara, Y.  
Corporate Source: Fujitsu Ltd, Atsugi, Jpn  
Conference Title: Proceedings of the 1995 33rd Annual IEEE International  
Magnetism Conference (INTERMAG'95). Part 1 (of 3)  
Conference Location: San Antonio, TX, USA Conference Date:  
19950418-19950421  
E.I. Conference No.: 43986  
Source: IEEE Transactions on Magnetism v 31 n 6 pt 1 Nov 1995. p  
2612-2614  
Publication Year: 1995  
CODEN: IEMGAQ ISSN: 0018-9464  
Language: English

Title: **Spin-valve sensors with domain control hard magnet layers**  
...Abstract: of 2  $\mu\text{m}$  and a track-width of less than 2  $\mu\text{m}$  using  
CoCrPt hard magnets (4  $\pi$   $M_r$  equals G,  $H_c$  equals 1000 Oe) as a domain  
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longitudinal biasing field from the CoCrPt layers. The bias state was  
improved by applying a strong ferromagnetic exchange coupling field of...  
...pinned NiFe layers through a 14 angstrom-thick Cu interlayer. We have  
also fabricated shielded CoCrPt magnet-biased spin-valve read heads with  
a track-width of 1.7  $\mu\text{m}$ . The heads had no Barkhausen noise and very  
low crosstalk noise. (Author abstract) 5 Refs.

Identifiers: Spin valve sensors; Hard magnet layers; Track width;  
Barkhausen noise ; Longitudinal biasing field; Ferromagnetic exchange  
coupling effect

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#### **BIASING MATERIALS FOR ANISOTROPIC MAGNETORESISTIVE AND SPIN-VALVE READ HEADS**

Author: DEVASAHAYAM, ADRIAN JOSHUA  
Degree: PH.D.  
Year: 1998  
Corporate Source/Institution: CARNEGIE-MELLON UNIVERSITY (0041)  
Source: VOLUME 60/02-B OF DISSERTATION ABSTRACTS INTERNATIONAL.  
PAGE 695. 234 PAGES

#### **BIASING MATERIALS FOR ANISOTROPIC MAGNETORESISTIVE AND SPIN-VALVE READ HEADS**

...lower signal levels and lower sensitivities. Dedicated heads,  
optimized for read-back, using the anisotropic magnetoresistive (AMR) and  
giant magnetoresistive (GMR) effects are more attractive. The output  
signal from devices based on both of these phenomena...

...motion in the sensor element. One of the more common methods of  
suppressing this 'Barkhausen noise' employs the exchange  
coupling between antiferromagnetic and ferromagnetic layers to ensure that  
the ferromagnetic...

...this thesis, the performance of CoNiO, NiO, NiMn and IrMn as exchange  
biasing materials and CoCrPt as a permanent magnet has been evaluated.  
The significant material properties investigated were biasing fields...

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...valves fabricated with IrMn as the pinning material showed excellent magnetic and thermal properties with **MR** ratios as high as 10% and good spin-valve responses up to 210&deg;C...

...with a finite-size-scaling phenomenon. Substrate bias was found to enhance the coercivity of **CoCrPt** permanent magnets when deposited on 25 &Aring; Cr underlayers. These magnets had coercivities in the...

...1.6  $\langle f \rangle \langle g \rangle m \langle g \rangle \langle f \rangle$  trackwidths showed some signs of **Barkhausen noise**, while NiMn stabilized elements were noise free. IrMn pinned spin-valves had very good performance for narrow trackwidth elements, with **MR** ratios as high as 5% and pinning fields of 650 Oe for 0.5  $\mu$ m...

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Title: THIN-FILM MAGNETIC SENSOR USING HIGH-FREQUENCY MAGNETO-IMPEDANCE (HFMI) EFFECT

Author(s): SENDA M; ISHII O; KOSHIMOTO Y; TOSHIMA T

Corporate Source: NIPPON TELEGRAPH & TEL PUBL CORP, INTERDISCIPLINARY RES LABS/TOKAI/IBARAKI 31911/JAPAN/

Journal: IEEE TRANSACTIONS ON MAGNETICS, 1994, V30, N6 (NOV), P4611-4613  
ISSN: 0018-9464

Language: ENGLISH Document Type: ARTICLE (Abstract Available)

...Abstract: and a large voltage change ratio ( $\Delta V_{pp}/V_{pp}(0)$  : corresponds to the **MR** ratio), a strip pattern, a closed magnetic circuit, and a NiFe/ **SiO2** multilayer film structure are adopted for the magnetic films of the sensor. A  $\Delta V_{pp}$ ...

...applying an external magnetic field of several Oe. Moreover there is no hysteresis or no **Barkhausen noise** in this sensor, which has a magnetic film width of 10  $\mu$ m. In terms...

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**Electrodeposition of Co/Cu Composition-Modulated Alloy Film and its  
Magnetoresistive Effect.**

KAINUMA SEIZO (1); **TAKAHASHI HIDEKI** (2)  
(1) Ashikaga Inst. of Technol.; (2) Ashikagakodai Daigakuin  
Ashikaga Kogyo Daigaku Kenkyu Shuroku(Research Reports Ashikaga Institute  
of Technology), 1994, NO.20, PAGE.103-109, FIG.9, TBL.3, REF.13  
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**Electrodeposition of Co/Cu Composition-Modulated Alloy Film and its  
Magnetoresistive Effect.**

; **TAKAHASHI HIDEKI** (2)  
...ABSTRACT: of Cu ions by dual current pulse galvanostatic technique. An  
electrodeposition was performed onto the **glass** substrate on which Cu  
and Permalloy thin layers were evaporated. Co and Cu layers were...  
...alloys. The saturation magnetic field was found to be larger than  
900kA/m and the **magnetoresistive** effect of about 2.4% was attained.  
(author abst.)

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**Title: STAGE-SPECIFIC GLYCOPHINGOLIPIDS FROM AMASTIGOTE FORMS OF  
LEISHMANIA (L) AMAZONENSIS - IMMUNOGENICITY AND ROLE IN PARASITE  
BINDING AND INVASION OF MACROPHAGES**

Author(s): STRAUS AH; LEVERY SB; JASIULIONIS MG; SALYAN MEK; STEELE SJ;  
TRAVASSOS LR; HAKOMORI SI; **TAKAHASHI HK**  
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PAULO//BRAZIL/; ESCOLA PAULISTA MED,DEPT MICROBIOL IMMUNOL &  
PARASITOL,DIV CELL BIOL/BR-04023 SAO PAULO//BRAZIL/; BIOMEMBRANE  
INST/SEATTLE//WA/98119; UNIV WASHINGTON,DEPT  
PATHOBIOL/SEATTLE//WA/98195  
Journal: JOURNAL OF BIOLOGICAL CHEMISTRY, 1993, V268, N18 (JUN 25), P  
13723-13730  
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Language: ENGLISH Document Type: ARTICLE (Abstract Available)

Author(s): STRAUS AH; LEVERY SB; JASIULIONIS MG; SALYAN MEK; STEELE SJ;  
TRAVASSOS LR; HAKOMORI SI; **TAKAHASHI HK**  
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CELLS)  
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S5	4701	BARKHAUSEN(2N)NOISE OR MBN OR DOMAIN()CONTROL? OR LONGITUDINAL?()BIAS
S6	4	10()M()CM OR MILLI()OHM()CENTIMETER? OR M()OHM()CM
S7	925174	SIO2 OR SI02 OR GLASS OR SILICON()DIOXIDE
S8	79	COCRPT
S9	97167	S1(3N)S2
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**Stability of soft-adjacent- layer magnetoresistive heads with  
patterned exchange longitudinal bias .(Proceedings of the 41st Annual  
Conference on Magnetism and Magnetic Materials)**  
Zhu, Jian-Gang; O'Connor, Daniel J.  
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**Stability of soft-adjacent- layer magnetoresistive heads with  
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**Characterization of exchange coupling at NiFe-CoPt interface.(The 1996 IEEE  
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Zou, Pei; Ryan, Patrick J.; Yang, Zhijun; Kryder, Mark H.  
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ISSN: 0018-9464 LANGUAGE: English RECORD TYPE: Abstract

...AUTHOR ABSTRACT: seen as an initial step toward controlling and  
optimizing the interfacial exchange field that provides longitudinal  
bias for magnetoresistive heads with overlaid structures.

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**Influence of longitudinal bias field on magnetization distribution in  
magnetoresistive head with shield films.**  
Ishikawa, Chiaki; Suzuki, Kaori; Yoshida, Kazuetsu; Sugita, Yutaka;  
Shinagawa, Kiminari; Nakatani, Yoshinobu; Hayashi, Nobuo  
Journal of Applied Physics, v75, n2, p1036(5)  
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ISSN: 0021-8979 LANGUAGE: English RECORD TYPE: Abstract

ABSTRACT: Magnetization distribution in magnetoresistive (MR) film is  
affected by domain control films when the track width of the MR  
head is narrower than 2 micrometers. The magnetization distribution in the  
MR is calculated by solving the three-dimensional field and analyzing the  
longitudinal bias field. The influence of the domain control film on  
the MR head can be studied using antiferromagnetic and permanent  
magnetic films.

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03128319 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 15154050  
**Dependence of Barkhausen noise on film parameters in shielded MR  
heads . ( magnetoresistive ) (The 1993 IEEE International Magnetism  
Conference, Folkets Hus City Conference Center, Stockholm, Sweden, April**

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**13-16, 1993) (Part II: Magnetic Recording Heads)**

Ramesh, Mahadevan; Dee, Richard H.; Franzel, Kenneth S.

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06300494 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 94130418  
**2.5-inch disk patterned media prepared by an artificially assisted self-assembling method. (Abstract)**  
Naito, Katsuyuki; Hieda, Hiroyuki; Sakurai, Masatoshi; Kamata, Yoshiyuki; Asakawa, Koji  
IEEE Transactions on Magnetism, 38, 5, 1949(3)  
Sept, 2002  
DOCUMENT TYPE: Abstract ISSN: 0018-9464 LANGUAGE: English  
RECORD TYPE: Abstract

AUTHOR ABSTRACT: Circumferential magnetic patterned media were prepared on a 2.5-inch-diameter **glass** plate and on a 3-in-diameter silicon plate. A Ni master disk possessing spiral...

...a 400-nm-width groove was pressed into a resist film on a CoPt or **CoCrPt** film to transfer the spiral patterns. A diblock copolymer solution was cast into the obtained...

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05936866 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 78967158  
**Effects of Surface Oxidization of Amorphous Ni-Based Alloy Seed Layers on Noise in CoCrPt/CrTi Media.**  
Matsuda, Y.; Sakamoto, K.; Takahashi, Y.; Tanahashi, K.; Kanbe, T.; Katou, A.; Hosoe, Y.  
IEEE Transactions on Magnetism, 37, 4, 3053  
July, 2001  
ISSN: 0018-9464 LANGUAGE: English RECORD TYPE: Abstract

...AUTHOR ABSTRACT: amorphous seed layers of NiCrZr and NiTa have been developed to reduce the noise of **CoCrPt** /CrTi thin film media on a **glass** substrate. By exposing the surfaces of the Ni-based amorphous seed layers to low pressure oxygen of the order of (10<sup>sup.-3</sup>) Pa, the crystal orientation of the **CoCrPt** magnetic layer is changed from random-like to (11.0), and the magnetic crystal grain...

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05934742 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 78966800  
**Nanoscale Protection for CoCrPt Thin Film Magnetic Recording Media.**  
Zhang, J.; Xu, Y. F.; Wang, J. P.; Pock, C. K.; Ji, R.; Chong, T. C.  
IEEE Transactions on Magnetism, 37, 4, 1849  
July, 2001  
ISSN: 0018-9464 LANGUAGE: English RECORD TYPE: Abstract

AUTHOR ABSTRACT: In this study, CrMn, **CoCrPt** -C multilayers and carbon overcoat were sequentially deposited on the NiAl coated **glass** substrate as underlayer, granular media layer, and protect layer by DC sputtering. Samples with various...

...and low temperature annealed interlayer carbon can provide grain-sized or nanoscale protection to the **CoCrPt** magnetic media. Carbon concentration within/above the top of **CoCrPt** -C granular thin film plays an important roles in the suppression of corrosion.

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Index Terms...

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05933221 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 78966737  
**High Coercivity Co-Alloy Thin Films on Polymer Substrates.**  
Bian, Bo; Bain, James A.; Kwon, Soon-Ju; Laughlin, David E.  
IEEE Transactions on Magnetics, 37, 4, 1640  
July, 2001  
ISSN: 0018-9464 LANGUAGE: English RECORD TYPE: Abstract

AUTHOR ABSTRACT: Films of (1010) textured **CoCrPt** have been sputtered on polymer substrates for use as thin film tape media. Underlayers of...

...NiAl underlayers sputtered on tape substrates have a (112) growth texture, like they do on **glass**. Film coercivity varied as a function of intermediate layers used, with the highest value of...

...these intermediate layers was hexagonal with a (1010) texture and low stacking fault density. The **CoCrPt** layers deposited on these **CoCrMn** layers had uniform grains with a lower stacking fault density, possibly due to grain-to-grain epitaxial growth of **CoCrPt** on **CoCrMn**.

Index Terms--Co-alloy thin films, coercivity, polymer substrates, sputtering, tape recording.

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05726493 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 72611220  
**HCP Structured CoCrMn Underlayer for Co-Based Longitudinal Magnetic Recording Media.**  
Song, Hajung; Hong, Soo-Youl; Kwon, Soon-Ju; Lee, Taek-Dong; Shin, Kyung-Ho  
IEEE Transactions on Magnetics, 36, 5, 2300  
Sept, 2000  
ISSN: 0018-9464 LANGUAGE: English RECORD TYPE: Abstract

AUTHOR ABSTRACT: Nonmagnetic hcp **CoCrMn** alloy was investigated with a view of new underlayer for **CoCrPt** longitudinal magnetic recording media. Magnetic properties and crystallographic textures of **CoCrPt** /**CoCrMn** thin films were compared with those of **CoCrPt** /Cr thin films. Only Co (10.0) and (11.0) peaks were observed in **CoCrPt** /**CoCrMn** thin films deposited on **glass** substrates without any bcc-type underlayer. **CoCrPt** /**CoCrMn** thin films showed higher coercivity and narrower grain size distribution than **CoCrPt** /Cr thin films prepared under same conditions. **CoCrPt** /**CoCrMn** thin films showed better lattice matching and grain-to-grain growth than **CoCrPt** /Cr thin films and no transition layer between a magnetic layer and an underlayer.

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05357133 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 60272534  
**RF-bias effect on structural and magnetic properties in CoCrPt/(Cr.sub.25)(Ti.sub.25)/CoTi trilayer type longitudinal recording media.**  
Hong, S. Y.; Shin, K. H.; Lee, T. D.  
IEEE Transactions on Magnetics, 35, 5, 2664

July 28, 2003

Sept, 1999

ISSN: 0018-9464

LANGUAGE: English

RECORD TYPE: Abstract

**AUTHOR ABSTRACT:** The effects of an rf substrate bias on the structural and magnetic properties of the **CoCrPt** / (Cr.sub.75) (Ti.sub.25) / CoTi trilayer type longitudinal recording media deposited on **glass** substrate have been studied. It was found that the coercivity of 30 nm thick **CoCrPt** films deposited on (Cr.sub.75) (Ti.sub.25) / CoTi underlayer was 4000 Oe by...

...the rf-bias to substrate improved the Co (1010) and (1120) plane textures of the **CoCrPt** magnetic layer. From RBS analyses, Pt content of the **CoCrPt** magnetic layer increased with rf-bias power. In addition to the Pt increase, a better lattice matching between the **CoCrPt** magnetic layer and the (Cr.sub.75) (Ti.sub.25) / CoTi underlayer was obtained through the expansion of the lattice parameter, "a" and "c" of Co in the **CoCrPt** with the substrate bias. These two factors are thought to be the origin of the...

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05355450 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 60272526

**Noise Reduction by Surface Oxidization of a CoCrZr Seed Layer on Glass Substrates for CoCrPt /CrTi Thin Film Media.**

Matsuda, Y.; Yahisa, Y.; Sakamoto, K.; Takahashi, Y.; Katou, A.; Hosoe, Y.

IEEE Transactions on Magnetics, 35, 5, 2640

Sept, 1999

ISSN: 0018-9464

LANGUAGE: English

RECORD TYPE: Abstract

**Noise Reduction by Surface Oxidization of a CoCrZr Seed Layer on Glass Substrates for CoCrPt /CrTi Thin Film Media.**

...**AUTHOR ABSTRACT:** a CoCrZr seed layer has been developed. This method can control the microstructure of a **CoCrPt** /CrTi thin film medium on the **glass** substrate. By exposing the surface of the CoCrZr seed layer to just a little oxygen...

39/3,K/8 (Item 8 from file: 88)

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05355438 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 60272499

**Magnetic Properties of Ion Beam Deposited CoPt and CoCrPt Films for Hard Bias Application in High Density Magnetoresistive Heads.**

Leng, Q.; Mao, M.; Hiner, C.; Miloslavsky, L.; Miller, M.; Tran, S.; Qian, C.; Tong, H.C.

IEEE Transactions on Magnetics, 35, 5, 2553

Sept, 1999

ISSN: 0018-9464

LANGUAGE: English

RECORD TYPE: Abstract

...**AUTHOR ABSTRACT:** remnant magnetization in ion beam deposited (IBD) Cr/CoPt films as compared to IBD Cr/ **CoCrPt** films. In addition, the magnetic properties of these hard bias films exhibit a strong dependence...

...0) crystallographic orientation were measured in films grown on substrates in the preference order of **glass** , Si/(Al.sub.2) (O.sub.3) and Si. CoPt films grown on CrV underlayer...

...c) exhibits a maximum with increasing Cr underlayer thickness for both Cr/CoPt and Cr/ **CoCrPt** films. This Cr thickness dependence of (H.sub.2) is correlated well with that of...

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05103142 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 54659408  
**Role of a paramagnetic amorphous CoZr seed layer in CoCrPt/Ti perpendicular recording media.** (Proceedings of the 43rd Annual Conference on Magnetism and Magnetic Materials)  
Lee, I.S.; Ryu, H.; Lee, H.J.; Lee, T.D.  
Journal of Applied Physics, 85, 8, 6133(3)  
April 15, 1999  
ISSN: 0021-8979 LANGUAGE: English RECORD TYPE: Abstract

...ABSTRACT: to analyze the influence of the CoZr layer on the magnetic and structural characteristics of **CoCrPt** layer. The films were deposited on a **glass** substrate using a direct-current magnetron sputtering technique. An inductively coupled plasma spectrometer was utilized...

...the films. Experimental results indicated that the prior deposition of a fresh CoZr<sub>45</sub> layer on **glass** substrates leads to the formation of finer and better oriented titanium grains.

39/3,K/10 (Item 10 from file: 88)  
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05102821 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 54659084  
**Effects of CoCrZr seed layer on noise properties and microstructure of CoCrPt media.** (Proceedings of the 43rd Annual Conference on Magnetism and Magnetic Materials)  
Kanbe, T.; Tamai, I.; Takahashi, Y.; Tanahashi, K.; Ishikawa, A.; Hosoe, Y.  
Journal of Applied Physics, 85, 8, 4717(3)  
April 15, 1999  
ISSN: 0021-8979 LANGUAGE: English RECORD TYPE: Abstract

...ABSTRACT: to analyze the influence of CoCrZr seed layer on the noise characteristics and microstructure of **CoCrPt** media. The films were deposited on chemically enforced soda-lime **glass** substrates by direct current magnetron sputtering. Experimental results indicated that the microstructure is very sensitive...

39/3,K/11 (Item 11 from file: 88)  
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05102682 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 54658945  
**Enhancement of magnetic properties in CoCrPt longitudinal recording media by Cr(sub 75)Ti(sub 25)/CoTi bilayer.** (Proceedings of the 43rd Annual Conference on Magnetism and Magnetic Materials)  
Hong, S.Y.; Lee, T.D.; Shin, K.H.  
Journal of Applied Physics, 85, 8, 4298(3)  
April 15, 1999  
ISSN: 0021-8979 LANGUAGE: English RECORD TYPE: Abstract

...ABSTRACT: to analyze the effects of the Cr<sub>75</sub>Ti<sub>25</sub>/CoTi bilayer on magnetic and crystallographic characteristics in **CoCrPt** longitudinal recording media. Films were deposited on **glass** substrates that were heated at 250 degrees C using the dc magnetron sputtering technique. Results...

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04868448 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 21010553

**Fabrication, micromagnetic and recording properties of CoCrPt on plastic disks.**

Ramamurthy Acharya, B.; Abarra, E.N.; Phillips, G.N.; Suzuki, T.; Adachi, K.; Kitagaki, N.; Aihara, M.

IEEE Transactions on Magnetism, v34, n4, p1594(3)

July, 1998

ISSN: 0018-9464

LANGUAGE: English

RECORD TYPE: Abstract

AUTHOR ABSTRACT: **CoCrPt** media with 20 nm thickness are fabricated at low temperatures on plastic disks using Cr and Si(O.sub.2) underlayers and on **glass** substrates using a Cr underlayer. The fabrication condition is optimized for high coercivity of 2.2 kOe on plastic and 2.4 kOe on **glass**. The dependence of magnetic properties on Ar pressure and sputtering power of **CoCrPt** is discussed for the media on plastic disks in comparison with the **glass** case. The micromagnetic properties such as Barkhausen volume and ( $\Delta$ )M are discussed. Recording properties...

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05608858 Supplier Number: 48486762 (USE FORMAT 7 FOR FULLTEXT)  
**PMT Services Signs Definitive Agreement to Acquire MBN National, With  
Merchant Portfolio of 8,000 Accounts and Annualized Charge Volume of \$400  
Million.**  
Business Wire, p05181381  
May 18, 1998  
Language: English Record Type: Fulltext  
Document Type: Newswire; Trade  
Word Count: 634

... which is subject to customary closing conditions, is expected by  
the end of May 1998.

Mr . Roberts remarked, "The acquisition of MBN will mark another  
successful step in PMT's dual growth strategies, which are designed to...

...program to acquire veteran sales forces and entrepreneurial managerial  
talent along with merchant account portfolios. MBN represents the tenth  
acquisition of an operating business completed since then that accomplishes  
all three...

...have historically increased its sales organization's internal sales post  
transaction and we anticipate that MBN will follow suit.

" MBN and the other eight transactions already completed during the  
first 10 months of fiscal 1998...

...clear examples of the potential PMT has in the ongoing consolidation of  
the industry," concluded Mr . Roberts. "With the completion of the MBN  
acquisition, these transactions will have added over \$4.4 billion in  
aggregate annualized charge volume....

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02743565 Supplier Number: 43673421 (USE FORMAT 7 FOR FULLTEXT)  
**NIST develops new scanner for measuring magnetic domains**  
Electronic Chemicals News, v8, n4, pN/A  
Feb 28, 1993  
Language: English Record Type: Fulltext  
Document Type: Magazine/Journal; Trade  
Word Count: 160

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TEXT:

...read head performance depends in part on controlling magnetic domain  
formation. Domians can cause irreversible **magnetoresistive ( MR )**  
response and **Barkhausen noise** . The voltage probes have tip radii of  
about 0.1 micrometer and can be independently...

...within 0.05 micrometer under video-microscope observation. Applying two  
orthogonal magnetic field measures the MR response as a function of field  
magnitude and angle. These features provide a unique dynamic picture of the  
MR response of extremely small areas. The researchers found that  
magnetostatic interactions and non-transverse applied field components lead  
to the formation of domains and subsequent **Barkhausen noise** . Domain  
formation can be supressed by reducing the magnetostatic interactions with  
flux closure schemes or...

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**MK LEADS INTERNATIONAL CONSORTIUM TO BRING VERY HIGH SPEED RAIL TO TEXAS**  
News Release September 27, 1989 p. 1

William M. Agee, chairman and chief executive officer of Morrison Knudsen Corporation ( **MBN** -NYSE), announced today the organization of a consortium to compete for the franchise to build a very high-speed rail system linking major Texas cities. **Mr** . Agee made the announcement at news conferences in Austin, Dallas and Houston. He was joined...

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06724037 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 14538917 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)  
**The incredible shrinking disk drive. (includes related article) (Thin Film Technology)**

Bond, John  
Solid State Technology, v36, n9, p39(4)  
Sept, 1993  
ISSN: 0038-111X LANGUAGE: ENGLISH RECORD TYPE: FULLTEXT  
WORD COUNT: 4153 LINE COUNT: 00325

... is required as it is in the MR head.)  
There are other technical difficulties with **MR** heads. **Barkhausen noise** results from the motion of magnetic domain walls. To counteract this, **MR** sensors have a pinning or bias layer. This layer provides constant magnetization to prevent motion of domain boundaries in the **MR** layer. The pinning material that is generally used, however, is particularly subject to corrosion. As...

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02029134 Supplier Number: 43679879 (USE FORMAT 7 FOR FULLTEXT)  
**MAGNETIC MATERIALS:New Scanner Accurately Measures Magnetic Domains**  
Electronic Materials Technology News, v7, n4, pN/A  
March, 1993  
Language: English Record Type: Fulltext  
Document Type: Newsletter; Trade  
Word Count: 166

(USE FORMAT 7 FOR FULLTEXT)  
TEXT:  
...head performance depends in part on controlling magnetic domain formation. Domains can cause irreversible magnetostrictive ( **MR** ) response and **Barkhausen noise** . NIST researchers have developed a scanning four-probe resistance measurement for studying and measuring the...

...within 0.05 micrometer under video- microscope observation. Applying two orthogonal magnetic fields measures the **MR** response as a function of field magnitude and angle. These features provide a unique dynamic picture of the **MR** response of extremely small areas. The researchers found that magnetostatic and non-transverse applied field components lead to the formation of domains and subsequent **Barkhausen noise** . Domain formation can be suppressed by reducing the magnetostatic interactions with flux closure schemes or...

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05725058 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 72611405  
**Doubly Exchange-Biased FeMn/NiFe/Cu/NiFe/CrMnPt Spin Valves.**  
Lu, Zhengqi; Lai, Wuyan; Zheng, Yuankai  
IEEE Transactions on Magnetics, 36, 5, 2899  
Sept, 2000  
ISSN: 0018-9464 LANGUAGE: English RECORD TYPE: Abstract

...AUTHOR ABSTRACT: CrMnPt spin valves are prepared. By field annealing in magnetic fields of opposite directions, the **magnetoresistive** curve consists of two loops shifted in opposite directions from the zero magnetic field. Whether...

...modified spin valve can maximize the linear response region. It also shows potential for suppressing **Barkhausen noise**.  
Index.Terms--Doubly exchange biasing, spin valve.

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05058162 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 54257474  
**Limitations to track following imposed by position error signal SNR using a multi-tapped magnetoresistive servo head. (Selected Papers from the Ninth Annual Magnetic Recording Conference on Magnetic Recording Heads (TMRC '98)) (signal-to-noise ratio)**  
Bain, James A.; Messner, William C.; Steele, John H., II; Schwarz, Theodore A.; O'Kane, William J.; Connolly, Maura P.  
IEEE Transactions on Magnetics, 35, 2, 740(6)  
March, 1999  
ISSN: 0018-9464 LANGUAGE: English RECORD TYPE: Abstract

AUTHOR ABSTRACT: A multi-tapped **magnetoresistive** ( **MR** ) stripe has been commercially fabricated as a tape head for evaluation as a potential tracking sensor for magnetic tape systems with dedicated servo. In this approach, two adjacent **MR** elements sharing a common bias current are each positioned halfway over a single 17 um wide servo track. The head leads provide signals from each of the **MR** elements which are separated 1.25 um by permanent magnets that provide **longitudinal bias**. Since this servo configuration uses a differential sensor with a simple square wave tracking pattern...

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04868850 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 21010955  
**Spin valve heads with a corrosion resistant MnRh exchange layer. (manganese rhodium)**  
Veloso, Anabel; Freitas, Paulo P.; Oliveira, Nuno J.; Fernandes, Joao;  
Ferreira, Mario  
IEEE Transactions on Magnetics, v34, n4, p2343(5)  
July, 1998  
ISSN: 0018-9464 LANGUAGE: English RECORD TYPE: Abstract

...AUTHOR ABSTRACT: and height  $h = 1-2$  ((micro)meter) were fabricated. The sensors show well-linearized magnetoresistance ( **MR** ) transfer curves, without hysteresis or **Barkhausen noise** and are thermally stable under consecutive 5 h anneals in vacuum up to 225 (degrees...

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...micro)meter) output is measured. Index Terms - Corrosion resistance, exchange layers, magnetic recording/reading heads, **magnetoresistive** materials and devices, spin valve heads.

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04868613 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 21010718

**Multi-tapped magnetoresistive heads for magnetic tape tracking servo.**

Steele, John H., II; Messner, William C.; Bain, James A.; Schwarz, Theodore A.; O'Kane, William J.; Connolly, Maura P.

IEEE Transactions on Magnetics, v34, n4, p1904(3)

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AUTHOR ABSTRACT: A multi-tapped **magnetoresistive** ( **MR** ) stripe has been commercially fabricated as a tape head for evaluation as a potential tracking sensor for magnetic tape systems with dedicated servo. In this approach, two adjacent **MR** elements sharing a common bias current are each positioned halfway over a single 17,5 ((micro)meter) wide servo track. The head leads provide signals from each of the **MR** elements which are separated 1.25 ((micro)meter) by permanent magnets that provide **longitudinal bias** . Since this servo configuration uses a differential sensor with a simple square wave tracking pattern...

...of the multi-tapped elements are shown to be comparable to those from standard individual **MR** heads fabricated on the same wafer. Cross-track signal profiles show that two adjacent elements...

...this type of servo scheme. Keywords - Tape Recording, Tape Heads, Tracking Servos, Position Error Signal, **Magnetoresistive** Heads

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04868501 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 21010606

**Domain walls and magnetic properties of very thin permalloy films for magnetoresistive sensors.**

Akhter, M.A.; Mapps, D.J.; Ma, Y.Q.; Petford-Long, A.K.; Doole, R.

IEEE Transactions on Magnetics, v34, n4, p1147(3)

July, 1998

ISSN: 0018-9464

LANGUAGE: English

RECORD TYPE: Abstract

...AUTHOR ABSTRACT: properties (coercivity and magnetoresistance) of very thin permalloy films were studied for their use in **magnetoresistive** ( **MR** ) sensors. Permalloy films were deposited under different conditions and a comparison was made in their properties. Domain walls in these films were studied using a specially modified TEM. **Barkhausen noise** was studied by differentiating the M-H characteristic and its origin is discussed in the context of the magnetic domain wall structures. Index Terms - **Barkhausen noise** , Domain wall, **Magnetoresistive** sensors, Permalloy thin films.

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04868418 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 21010523

**A self-biased spin valve sensor with a longitudinally pinned layer.**

Suzuki, Tetsuhiro; Matsutera, Hisao

IEEE Transactions on Magnetics, v34, n4, p1501(3)

July, 1998

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ISSN: 0018-9464      LANGUAGE: English      RECORD TYPE: Abstract

...AUTHOR ABSTRACT: to a longitudinally and moderately pinned layer. Such spin-valve sensors are more appropriate for **GMR** /Inductive head processes than conventional spin-valve sensors because the direction of pinning is parallel...

...of its sides. The transfer curve of this spin valve sensor exhibits excellent linearity without **Barkhausen noise** . Dynamic range is great in proportion to the sense current, while sensitivity is slightly less...

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04868417      SUPPLIER NUMBER: 21010521  
**Fabrication and characterization of contiguous permanent magnet junctions.**  
Xiao, Min; Devasahayam, Adrian J.; Kryder, Mark H.  
IEEE Transactions on Magnetics, v34, n4, p1495(3)  
July, 1998  
ISSN: 0018-9464      LANGUAGE: English      RECORD TYPE: Abstract

AUTHOR ABSTRACT: This paper addresses several important issues concerning contiguous permanent magnet biased **magnetoresistive** sensors. A fabrication process utilizing isotropically etched silicon nitride for lift-off is described, and...

...a component of the resistance inversely propotional to the sensor height is identified. The effective **longitudinal bias** field is found to decrease with increasing trackwidth. Index Terms - contiguous permanent magnet junctions, domain stabilization, lift-off, **longitudinal bias** .

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04868403      SUPPLIER NUMBER: 21010507  
**Magnetic domain instability in MR heads due to overlaid structure of permanent magnet film.**  
Mitsumata, Chiharu; Kikuchi, Keiko; Kobayashi, Toshio  
IEEE Transactions on Magnetics, v34, n4, p1453(3)  
July, 1998  
ISSN: 0018-9464      LANGUAGE: English      RECORD TYPE: Abstract

AUTHOR ABSTRACT: The permanent magnet (PM) film easily forms the overlap structure on the **magnetoresistive (MR)** film due to the overspray of sputtered material in the deposition process. This overlap structure of a PM film affects the stability of the magnetic domain structure in an **MR** element. The calculation model in this study takes account of the overlaid structure of a...

...A large hysteresis was observed in the transfer curve due to a counter bias against **longitudinal bias** field in the case of 0.3 to 0.5 ((micro)meter) overlaid PM width...

...profile showed the double peak profile which was caused by the multidomain state in the **MR** element. However, in the case of 0 to 0.2 ((micro)meter) overlaid PM width...

...controlled below 0.1 ((micro)meter) in order to achieve the readback stability of the **MR** element.

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04781645 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 20757880

In-plane vector magnetometer employing a single unbiased  
magnetoresistor. (The 8th Annual Magnetic Recording Conference (TMRC) on  
Magnetic Recording Systems)

Kaplan, Ben-Zion; Paperno, Eugene; Flynn, David I.

IEEE Transactions on Magnetics, v34, n1, p253(6)

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RECORD TYPE: Abstract

AUTHOR ABSTRACT: This paper extends previous work, where a single  
barber-pole magnetoresistor ( **MR** ) was employed for measuring  
simultaneously two magnetic field components. The present work differs from  
the previous one in employing a single unbiased **MR** , which is simpler and  
less expensive. The present arrangement, like the previous one, relies on  
...

...of an external magnetic field is detected by measuring the time shifts  
of the resulting **MR** ac output zero-crossings. Despite the similarity  
between the present system and its previous counterpart...

...other as they were in the previous barber-pole case. Index Terms -  
Barber-pole magnetoresistor, **Barkhausen noise** , elliptically rotating  
bias, magnetoresistance, unbiased magnetoresistor, Stoner-Wohlfarth theory,  
thin-ferromagnetic films.

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04646470 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 20247676

Fabrication and characterization of giant magnetoresistive elements with an  
integrated test coil.

Kools, Jacques C.S.; Ruigrok, Jaap J.M.; Postma, Bert; De Nooijer, M.  
Christine; Folkerts, Wiep

IEEE Transactions on Magnetics, v33, n6, p4513(9)

Nov, 1997

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LANGUAGE: English

RECORD TYPE: Abstract

AUTHOR ABSTRACT: **Magnetoresistive** elements (MRE's) containing  
exchange-biased spin valve multilayers as the **magnetoresistive** material  
have been fabricated. Their electrical response has been measured using an  
integrated test coil...

...higher than those obtained in similar elements based on a conventional,  
30 nm thick anisotropic **magnetoresistive** (AMR) (Ni.sub.80)(Fe.sub.20)  
film linearized by the "barber-pole" method. The...

...result in a switching behavior which is characteristic of domain wall  
movement and contains hysteresis, **Barkhausen noise** , and strong harmonic  
distortion. The arrangement with crossed anisotropies is found to display a  
behavior characteristic of switching by magnetization rotation as evidenced  
by a strong reduction of hysteresis, **Barkhausen noise** , and harmonic  
distortion. Demagnetization effects are calculated in order to  
quantitatively explain the shape of...

...difference in output voltage when compared to AMR-based MRE's. Index  
Terms - Barkhausen effect, **magnetoresistive** devices, spin valve,  
technology, transmission line model.

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04222875 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 19264658  
**Submicron trackwidth and stripe height MR sensor test structures.**  
(magnetoresistive) (The 1996 IEEE International Magnetism  
Conference) (INTERMAG '96)  
Fontana, Robert E., Jr.; MacDonald, Scott A.; Tsang, Ching; Lin, Tsann  
IEEE Transactions on Magnetism, v32, n5, p3440(3)  
Sep, 1996  
ISSN: 0018-9464 LANGUAGE: English RECORD TYPE: Abstract

AUTHOR ABSTRACT: Magnetic recording areal densities greater than 5  
Gbit/(in.sup.2) will require **magnetoresistive (MR)** sensors with  
critical dimensions below 1.0 ((micro)meter). The **longitudinal bias**  
scheme used for this sensor size must provide stable device operation and  
must be compatible...

...material abutted to the sensor magnetic films and with lead material  
self aligned to the **longitudinal bias** material can satisfy these  
requirements. This is demonstrated by the fabrication and testing of  
submicron unshielded **MR** structures with stable transfer curves.

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04222854 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 19264637  
**Spin-valve read heads with NiFe/Co90Fe10 layers for 5 Gbit/square inch  
density recording.** (The 1996 IEEE International Magnetism  
Conference) (INTERMAG '96)  
Kanai, H.; Yamada, K.; Aoshima, K.; Ohtsuka, Y.; Kane, J.; Kanamine, M.;  
Toda, J.; Mizoshita, Y.  
IEEE Transactions on Magnetism, v32, n5, p3368(6)  
Sep, 1996  
ISSN: 0018-9464 LANGUAGE: English RECORD TYPE: Abstract

...AUTHOR ABSTRACT: NiFe/Co90Fe10 bilayer as a soft magnetic free layer in  
spin-valve films with a **GMR** enhanced structure comprised of  
NiFe/Co90Fe10/Cu/Co90Fe10/FeMn is outlined. The **GMR** ratio of the  
spin-valve film with Co90Fe10 is over 7% and the coercivity of...

...Angstrom))/Co90Fe10(22 (Angstrom))/FeMn(100 (Angstrom))/Ta(100  
(Angstrom)) structure and 260 (Angstrom) thick **domain control**  
Co78Cr10Pt12 magnet layers. Its read/write performance was tested on a low  
noise CoCr17Pt5Ta4 thin film disk with an **Mr** (center dot)t of 0.41  
memu/(cm.sup.2) and a coercivity of 2500 Oe. There is no **Barkhausen**  
**noise** in the readback waveform. The result of the microtrack sensitivity  
profiles reveals an effective read...

...and at a linear density of 217 kBPI on a thin film disk with an **Mr**  
(center dot)t of 0.72 memu/(cm.sup.2). Thus, 5 Gbit/(in.sup.2)...

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03313061 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 16119468  
**1/f Noise in giant magnetoresistive materials.**  
Hardner, H.T.; Parkin, S.S.P.; Weissman, M.B.; Salamon, M.B.; Kita, E.  
Journal of Applied Physics, v75, n10, p6531(3)  
May 15, 1994

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ISSN: 0021-8979      LANGUAGE: English      RECORD TYPE: Abstract

ABSTRACT: Materials which have giant magnetoresistance ( **GMR** ) generate 1/f resistance noise. **GMR** is the primary source of the noise. Noise fluctuations in parallel and antiparallel alignments occur when  $dR/dH$  is large. The **GMR** transition sweeps the field when **Barkhausen noise** occurs in the resistance of the materials.

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03128323      SUPPLIER NUMBER: 15154058

Identification of the place causing Barkhausen noise in yoke type MR heads. ( magnetoresistive ) (The 1993 IEEE International Magnetism Conference, Folkets Hus City Conference Center, Stockholm, Sweden, April 13-16, 1993) (Part II: Magnetic Recording Heads)

Nakai, K.; Kira, T.; Minakata, R.; Okamoto, N.; Komoda, T.

IEEE Transactions on Magnetism, v29, n6, p3829(3)

Nov, 1993

ISSN: 0018-9464      LANGUAGE: English      RECORD TYPE: Citation

Identification of the place causing Barkhausen noise in yoke type MR heads. ( magnetoresistive ) (The 1993 IEEE International Magnetism Conference, Folkets Hus City Conference Center, Stockholm, Sweden, April 13...

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03063537      SUPPLIER NUMBER: 14831643

Simulation of magnetization distribution in magnetoresistive film under a longitudinal bias field.

Chiaki Ishikawa; Kaori Suzuki; Naoki Koyama; Kazuetsu Yoshida; Yutaka

Sugita; Kiminari Shinagawa; Yoshinobu Nakatani; Nobuo Hayashi

Journal of Applied Physics, v74, n9, p5666(6)

Nov 1, 1993

ISSN: 0021-8979      LANGUAGE: English      RECORD TYPE: Abstract

Simulation of magnetization distribution in magnetoresistive film under a longitudinal bias field.

ABSTRACT: Micromagnetic calculations are obtained for the distribution of magnetization in magnetoresistive (MR) films subjected to longitudinal bias. The micromagnetic calculations also include the measurement of spatial sensitivity along the track width in the MR films. The distribution is found to be transversely biased and is not in symmetry with ...

...reflection about the track width plane. The heterogeneous demagnetization field produces this asymmetry in the MR films.

41/3,K/21      (Item 1 from file: 98)

DIALOG(R)File 98:General Sci Abs/Full-Text

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04508510      H.W. WILSON RECORD NUMBER: BGSA01008510

Structural biochemistry and interaction architecture of the DNA double-strand break repair Mre11 nuclease and Rad50-ATPase.

Hopfner, Karl-Peter

Karcher, Annette; Craig, Lisa

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Cell (Cell) v. 105 no4 (May 18 2001) p. 473-85  
SPECIAL FEATURES: bibl il ISSN: 0092-8674  
LANGUAGE: English  
COUNTRY OF PUBLICATION: United States

ABSTRACT: To clarify functions of the Mrell/Rad50 ( **MR** ) complex in DNA double-strand break repair, we report Pyrococcus furiosus Mrell crystal structures, revealing a protein phosphatase-like, dimanganese binding domain capped by a unique **domain controlling** active site access. These structures unify Mrell's multiple nuclease activities in a single endo...

...Electron microscopy, small angle X-ray scattering, and ultracentrifugation data of human and P. furiosus **MR** reveal a dual functional complex consisting of a (Mrell)2/(Rad50)2 heterotetrameric DNA processing...

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14585202 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULLTEXT)  
**Eurologic Systems Brings Leading-Edge Storage Technology To Markets In Japan; Expands Presence In Japan**  
BUSINESS WIRE  
January 10, 2001  
JOURNAL CODE: WBWE LANGUAGE: English RECORD TYPE: FULLTEXT  
WORD COUNT: 678

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12967361 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULLTEXT)  
**New threat to dotcom world**  
STATESMAN (INDIA)  
September 23, 2000  
JOURNAL CODE: FSTN LANGUAGE: English RECORD TYPE: FULLTEXT  
WORD COUNT: 399

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... the client who has no say in the use of his own domain name, says **Mr** Bhavin Turakhia, a Net expert who has a web-hosting service. Another problem of the...

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09540134 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULLTEXT)  
**France US Press Reports on Failure To Help Kosovo Police**  
WORLD NEWS CONNECTION  
February 10, 2000  
JOURNAL CODE: WWNC LANGUAGE: English RECORD TYPE: FULLTEXT  
WORD COUNT: 183

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This zone, where the **MBN** is deployed, is "certainly the most difficult zone" in the Serbian province, which has an ethnic Albanian majority, but, **Mr . Bureau** said, "there is no bias" by the **MBN** in favor of one community or another.

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09284874 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULLTEXT)  
**OPERATING SYSTEMS: A preview of Windows 2000**  
BANGKOK POST, p4  
January 26, 2000  
JOURNAL CODE: FBKP LANGUAGE: English RECORD TYPE: FULLTEXT  
WORD COUNT: 1375

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... recommendation being based on the results of comprehensive testing using a notebook connected to a **domain controller** and while disconnected. He also says that the main reasons why mobile users will want ...

... you log on again, and you lose your custom desktop, menu and applications settings, observes **Mr . Valliere**, adding that Windows 95/98 users may not be aware of this problem. When...

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08984943 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULLTEXT)  
**Dr. Hua-Ching Tong Named Read-Rite Fellow**  
PR NEWswire  
January 05, 2000  
JOURNAL CODE: WPRW LANGUAGE: English RECORD TYPE: FULLTEXT  
WORD COUNT: 574

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... heads for volume production, and was task force leader of the team that solved the **Barkhausen Noise** problem. He has been recognized many times for technical excellence and mentorship by his peers...

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04743272 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULLTEXT)  
**Sun cascades PCs into its networks**  
SECTION TITLE: Features  
Stephen Ballantyne  
NATIONAL BUSINESS REVIEW  
March 18, 1999  
JOURNAL CODE: WNBR LANGUAGE: English RECORD TYPE: FULLTEXT  
WORD COUNT: 872

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... controller using the same user manager for domains tool that an NT administrator would use," Mr Sands said.

Cascade also gives users of all types of Windows software a familiar look...

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File 350:Derwent WPIX 1963-2003/UD,UM &UP=200347  
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Set	Items	Description
S1	16459	MAGNETORESISTIV? OR MR OR GMR
S2	3048229	SENSOR? OR HEAD? OR ELEMENT? OR MRAM OR MAGNETIC?()RAM
S3	3836515	FILM? OR THINFILM? OR LAYER? OR OVERLAY? OR OVERLAID? OR L-AMIN? OR LAMEL? OR MULTILAYER? OR SHEET OR LEAF? OR FOIL? OR -COAT? OR TOPCOAT?
S4	1181912	OVERCOAT? OR VENEER? OR SHEATH? OR COVER? OR ENVELOP? OR E-NCAS? OR ENWRAP? OR OVERSPREAD? OR UNDERLAY? OR UNDERLAID?
S5	1387	BARKHAUSEN(2N)NOISE OR MBN OR DOMAIN()CONTROL? OR LONGITUDINAL?()BIAS
S6	88	10()M()CM OR MILLI()OHM()CENTIMETER? OR M()OHM()CM
S7	637143	SIO2 OR SI02 OR GLASS OR SILICON()DIOXIDE
S8	73	COCRPT
S9	7833	S1(3N)S2
S10	4592727	S3 OR S4
S11	434	S9 AND S10 AND S5
S12	1	S11 AND S6 AND S7
S13	12	S11 AND (S6 OR S7)
S14	11	S13 NOT S12
S15	482	S10(5N)S5
S16	222	S9 AND S15
S17	1	S16 AND S6 AND S7
S18	0	S17 NOT S12
S19	0	S16 AND S7 AND S8
S20	6	S16 AND (S7 OR S8)
S21	0	S20 NOT (S17 OR S14)
S22	0	S5 AND S7 AND S8
S23	1	S16 AND S6
S24	0	S23 NOT (S17 OR S14)

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XRAM Acc No: C02-079441  
XRPX Acc No: N02-207697

Magnetoresistive sensor for use in magnetic head for reading back magnetically recorded information, includes magnetic domain control layers for controlling Barkhausen noise of magnetoresistive sensor layer

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US 20020003685	A1		20	G11B-005/39	
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Abstract (Basic): US 20020003685 A1

NOVELTY - Magnetoresistive sensor includes magnetic domain control layers (106) for controlling Barkhausen noise of a magnetoresistive sensor layer (105). The magnetic domain control layers are disposed on and in contact with opposite ends of the magnetoresistive sensor layer in a region from the end surface of a media-opposed surface side of the magnetoresistive sensor layer to the depth position.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - A magnetoresistive sensor includes a substrate (101); a lower and an upper magnetic shield layer (103,109); a magnetoresistive sensor layer between the lower and upper magnetic shields; an electrode terminal for flowing a signal current perpendicular to the magnetoresistive sensor layer; and magnetic domain control layers for controlling Barkhausen noise of the magnetoresistive sensor layer. The magnetic domain control layers are made of a material having a specific resistance not less than 10 m . ohm . cm . They are disposed on and in contact with opposite ends of the magnetoresistive sensor layer in a region from the end surface of a media-opposed surface side of the magnetoresistive sensor layer to the depth position (110).

INDEPENDENT CLAIMS are included for:

(I) a combined magnetic head mounting (a) a write element and (b) a read element comprising the above magnetoresistive sensor; and

(II) a magnetic disk apparatus, comprising (i) a magnetic recording media, (ii) a magnetic read/write head comprising the above magnetoresistive sensor, (iii) a read/write circuit, (iv) an actuator, and (v) mechanism for controlling the read/write operation.

USE - The sensor is used for magnetic head for reading back magnetically recorded information. The magnetic head is used in magnetic disk apparatus (all claimed).

ADVANTAGE - The magnetoresistive sensor has excellent reproducing resolution in magnetic read and write.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The drawing shows a diagram showing the sectional structure of the media-opposed surface side of the inventive magnetoresistive sensor and the position of a magnetic domain control layer .

substrate (101)

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lower magnetic shield **layer** (103)  
magnetoresistive **sensor layer** (105)  
magnetic domain control **layers** (106)  
upper magnetic shield **layer** (109)  
depth position (110)  
pp; 20 DwgNo 1/22

Title Terms: MAGNETORESISTIVE; SENSE; MAGNETIC; HEAD; READ; BACK; MAGNETIC;  
RECORD; INFORMATION; MAGNETIC; DOMAIN; CONTROL; **LAYER** ; CONTROL;  
BARKHAUSEN; NOISE; MAGNETORESISTIVE; SENSE; **LAYER**

Derwent Class: L03; T03

International Patent Class (Main): G11B-005/39; H01L-043/08

International Patent Class (Additional): G01R-033/09

File Segment: CPI; EPI

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MAGNETIC HEAD

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PUBLISHED: October 06, 2000 (20001006)  
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APPLICANT(s): HITACHI LTD  
APPL. NO.: 11-079178 [JP 9979178]  
FILED: March 24, 1999 (19990324)  
INTL CLASS: G11B-005/39

#### ABSTRACT

PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED: To make it possible to avoid a rapid degradation in breakdown voltage by making a lower gap insulating film or upper gap insulating film have a multilayered structure composed of SiO<sub>2</sub> layers and layers consisting of film mixtures composed of Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> or Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> and  $\geq 1$  kind selected from among SiO<sub>2</sub>, TiO<sub>2</sub>, Ta<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>, HfO<sub>2</sub>, ZrO<sub>2</sub> and Nb<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>.

SOLUTION: The magnetoresistive head is composed by disposing a magnetoresistive element consisting of a magneto-resistive film 14, a magnetic domain control film 15 and an electrode 16 between an upper shield and a lower shield via the upper gap insulating film 17 and the lower gap insulating film 13. The lower gap insulating film 17 or the upper gap insulating film 13 is formed of the multilayered structure composed of the SiO<sub>2</sub> layer and the film mixture composed of the Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> or the Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> and  $\geq 1$  kind selected from among SiO<sub>2</sub>, TiO<sub>2</sub>, Ta<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>, HfO<sub>2</sub>, ZrO<sub>2</sub> and Nb<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>.

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MAGNETO-RESISTIVE HEAD

PUB. NO.: 08-287426 [JP 8287426 A]  
PUBLISHED: November 01, 1996 (19961101)  
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APPL. NO.: 07-089022 [JP 9589022]  
FILED: April 14, 1995 (19950414)  
INTL CLASS: [6] G11B-005/39; C23C-014/08; G01R-033/09; H01L-043/08  
JAPIO CLASS: 42.5 (ELECTRONICS -- Equipment); 12.6 (METALS -- Surface Treatment); 42.2 (ELECTRONICS -- Solid State Components); 46.1 (INSTRUMENTATION -- Measurement)  
JAPIO KEYWORD: R020 (VACUUM TECHNIQUES); R044 (CHEMISTRY -- Photosensitive Resins)

#### ABSTRACT

PURPOSE: To obtain a high-reliability head which is stabilized in the magnetic domain structure of a free side magnetic layer and has high output by providing both ends of the free side magnetic layer with

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magnetic domain control layers of two-layered structures composed of ferromagnetic layer consisting of the same material as the material of the free side magnetic layer .

CONSTITUTION: This giant magneto-resistive GMR head is formed of the free side magnetic layer 1, nonmagnetic layer 2, stationary side magnetic layer 3 and antiferromagnetic layer 4 on a glass or ceramic substrate 9. These three layers 2, 3, 4 are patterned to prescribed shapes and thereafter the two-layered films composed of the ferromagnetic layer 5 and antiferromagnetic layer 6 which are the magnetic domain control layers 7 of the two-layered structure are formed at both ends of the free side magnetic layer 1. Electrodes 8 are formed thereon. The intra-surface magnetization of the free side magnetic layer 1 and the stationary side magnetic layer 3 are directed into directions inclining 90 deg. with each other in the state that an external magnetic field is not impressed. The stationary side magnetic layer 3 is fixed in the magnetization in the preferable direction by the antiferromagnetic layer 4. The magnetization of the free side magnetic layer 1 is rotated freely by the magnetic field from the medium, by which a change in resistance is induced and the output is generated.

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MAGNETIC RECORDER-REPRODUCER

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JOURNAL: Section: , Section No. FFFFFFFF, Vol. 94, No. 10, Pg. FFFFFFFF, FF, FFFF (FFFFFFFFF)

#### ABSTRACT

PURPOSE: To suppress waveform distortion and Barkhausen noise by a method wherein a bias in the lateral or longitudinal direction is impressed on a magnetoresistance effect type head from a lower magnetic layer of a magnetic recording medium.

CONSTITUTION: A magnetic disk as a magnetic recording medium has a construction of a magnetic double layer formed of a laminate of a lower magnetic layer 21, an upper magnetic layer 22 and a magnetic isolating layer 20 inserted between these two magnetic layers . The lower magnetic layer 21 is prepared by forming a hard film of CoPt on a glass base 23 so that the axis of easy magnetization is directed in the vertical direction. The upper magnetic layer 22 is constituted of Co-Cr-Ta and has this axis in an in-plane direction. The isolating layer 20 is constituted of Cr and interrupts magnetic coupling of the upper magnetic layer 22 and the lower magnetic layer 21. The lower magnetic layer 21 is magnetized beforehand in the upward or downward direction in respect to the thickness and a lateral bias is impressed on an MR head by a leakage flux generated from this layer .

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MANUFACTURE OF MAGNETO RESISTANCE EFFECT HEAD

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                  (Japan)  
APPL. NO.:      03-060789 [JP 9160789]  
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INTL CLASS:     [5] G11B-005/39  
JAPIO CLASS:    42.5 (ELECTRONICS -- Equipment)  
JAPIO KEYWORD: R044 (CHEMISTRY -- Photosensitive Resins)  
JOURNAL:        Section: P, Section No. 1474, Vol. 17, No. 36, Pg. 141,  
                  January 22, 1993 (19930122)

ABSTRACT

PURPOSE: To easily produce a ferromagnetic magneto-resistance effect (MR) head without Barkhausen noise by implanting ion, and so on, to an anti-ferromagnetic layer or ferromagnetic layer.  
CONSTITUTION: The MR layer 2 is formed in the manner of film-forming by a sputtering method, etc., with a mild magnetic material having strong magneto-resistance effect, on an insulated substrate 1 of glass, ferrite, etc. Next, a bias magnetic layer 3 is formed on the layer 2 by a vapor deposition with the use of anti-ferromagnetic body or ferromagnetic body, and a non-magnetic ion such as Ar, etc., is implanted to the layer 3, then by providing an electrode 5 at both sides of this non-magnetic part 4, the MR head without Barkhausen noise is easily produced. Meanwhile, the same result is obtained also by a heat treatment in place of ion implantation.

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FERROMAGNETIC MAGNETORESISTANCE ELEMENT

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PUBLISHED:      July 29, 1988 (19880729)  
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JAPIO CLASS:    42.2 (ELECTRONICS -- Solid State Components)  
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                  December 05, 1988 (19881205)

ABSTRACT

PURPOSE: To suppress Barkhausen noise and unisotropic dispersion and eliminate the discontinuous variation of a detection resistance value and the distortion of a detection output and obtain an MR element with uniform element characteristics by providing an insulating substrate whose surface roughness is less than a specific value, a ferromagnetic metal thin film layer formed on the surface of the insulating substrate and respective electrodes which are so formed as to be connected to both the ends of the metal thin film layer.

CONSTITUTION: An MR element is composed of an insulating substrate 1 which is made of glass or the like and has a surface roughness of less than 100 angstroms, electrodes 3a and 3b which are formed on the

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insulating substrate 1 and made of electrode material such as aluminum and a ferromagnetic metal thin **film** (hereinafter referred to as MR **layer** ) 2 which is formed to have a thickness of 300-1500 angstroms by depositing alloy such as nickel-iron or nickel-cobalt. If the surface roughness of the substrate is small in comparison with the thickness of the MR **layer** 2, the anisotropic dispersion of the MR **layer** 2 is reduced and **Barkhausen noise** is suppressed. Thus, if the insulating substrate 1 whose surface roughness is less than 100 angstroms is employed, the discontinuous variation, distortion and the like of the resistance value of the MR **element** can be eliminated.

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THIN **FILM** MAGNETIC HEAD

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JAPIO KEYWORD: R004 (PLASMA); R135 (METALS -- Amorphous Metals)  
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#### ABSTRACT

PURPOSE: To eliminate a **Barkhausen noise** generated by a magnetic wall movement by constituting the titled magnetic head so that a part pinched by a sense current use lead wire of a magneto-resistance element for constituting a reproducing head utilizing a magneto-resistance effect of a ferromagnetic thin **film** has a single magnetic domain structure in a state that a leakage magnetic field from a recording medium has been applied.

CONSTITUTION: As for a pattern shape of an MR **element** vapor-depositing a permalloy wall to a thickness of 0.03.mu.m by applying a magnetic field in the longitudinal direction, its length L and width W are 72.mu.m, and 9.mu.m, respectively, and two kinds of patterns whose distances between insides of a lead wire 6 for a sense current flowing to an MR **element** 5 which has been formed by Au/Cr are 42.mu.m and 50.mu.m are used. The formed thin **film** magnetic head is brought to fixed magnetic field annealing in a vacuum in the longitudinal direction of the MR **element** , and subsequently, it is cooled slowly to a room temperature in a rotating magnetic field. After the annealing, a protective **glass** is stuck by a resin and a lapping head of a cylindrical tip is manufactured. As for the head which is manufactured in this way, the MR **element** becomes a single magnetic domain structure between lead values, therefore, a **Barkhausen noise** caused by a magnetic wall movement is not generated.

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Magnetoresistive sensor having improved micro-track profile for

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**servo-positioning - has grating profile under soft film biased MR sensor layer and hard bias stabilising magnets, with pattern being replicated for servo sensors through alumina or silicon dioxide**  
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TW 243530	A	19950321	TW 93110446	A	19931209	199528 B
US 5530608	A	19960625	US 92999510	A	19921230	199631
			US 94286603	A	19940805	
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CN 1091219	A	19940824	CN 93121529	A	19931229	199715
US 5713122	A	19980203	US 92999510	A	19921230	199812
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Priority Applications (No Type Date): US 92999510 A 19921230; US 94286603 A 19940805; US 95447395 A 19950523; US 95449382 A 19950523; US 97799716 A 19970212

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US 5745978	A	15	G11B-005/127		Cont of application US 92999510
					Cont of application US 94286603
					Div ex application US 95447395
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CN 1091219 A G11B-005/31

Abstract (Basic): TW 243530 A

The **MR sensor** has a grating profile under both the soft **film** biased **MR layer** and hard bias stabilising magnets. The grating pattern is replicated for the servo sensors through a thick **layer** of alumina or **silicon dioxide**. An outer read shield is removed from the servo elements using a stripping process that eliminates structural damage arising from alumina pin-holes.

Both element types are free of significant **Barkhausen noise** and instability because of grating stabilised domains in both the active MR regions and the passive hard biasing regions of each sensor. Each servo sensor is located at a greater distance from the single shield to optimise the micro-track profile. The resulting reduction in servo sensor frequency response leaves sufficient bandwidth for precise servo positioning.

**ADVANTAGE** - Has stable, linear data sensing elements for high density tape head. Stability and uniformity of both data and servo sensors is improved.

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Title Terms: MAGNETORESISTIVE; SENSE; IMPROVE; MICRO; TRACK; PROFILE; SERVO ; POSITION; GRATING; PROFILE; SOFT; **FILM** ; BIAS; SENSE; **LAYER** ; HARD; BIAS; STABILISED; MAGNET; PATTERN; REPLICA; SERVO; SENSE; THROUGH; ALUMINA; SILICON; DI; OXIDE

Derwent Class: T03; U12; V02

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XRAM Acc No: C92-157013  
XRPX Acc No: N92-269448

**Magnetic-resistance effect type head prodn. - involves forming ferromagnetic and ferrodiamagnetic layers and injecting ions into ferrodiamagnetic layer**

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Number of Countries: 001 Number of Patents: 001  
Patent Family:

Patent No	Kind	Date	Applicat No	Kind	Date	Week
JP 4255905	A	19920910	JP 9160789	A	19910207	199243 B

Priority Applications (No Type Date): JP 9160789 A 19910207

Patent Details:

Patent No	Kind	Lan Pg	Main IPC	Filing Notes
JP 4255905	A	5	G11B-005/39	

Abstract (Basic): JP 4255905 A

In the prepn. head has (a) a ferromagnetic magneto-resistance effect **layer** and (b) a ferro-diamagnetic **layer** or a ferri-magnetic **layer** formed in direct contact with (a) to generate a bias magnetic field longitudinally by exchange force with (a). The method involves injecting ion into a part of (b). Pref. method involves thermal oxidn. of part of (b).

USE/ADVANTAGE - The method is suitable for prodn. of smaller and high density recording head. The head has no **Barkhausen noise**.

In an example, magnetic head was prepd. as follows A 400 Angstrom (A) thick Permalloy **layer** (2) was formed on a **glass** substrate (1) as **MR element**. A pattern (50 microns length and 5 microns width) was formed on 500 A thick FeMn **film** for the bias magnetic **layer** (3) by photolithography. 15 microns length from the both ends were covered with photo resist. Ar ion was injected to the remaining portion (4) of (3) at rate of 10 power14 ions/sq.cm with 50 kV to effect magnetisation, then electrodes (5) of **laminate** of Ti/Au for supplying current were formed on (3) with 10 microns distance, then fabricated to the head by conventional method. As the result the head had 100 of rating output power with no **Barkhausen noise**.

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Title Terms: MAGNETIC; RESISTANCE; EFFECT; TYPE; HEAD; PRODUCE; FORMING; FERROMAGNETIC; FERRO; DIAMAGNETIC; **LAYER**; INJECTION; ION; FERRO; DIAMAGNETIC; **LAYER**

Derwent Class: L03; T03; V02

International Patent Class (Main): G11B-005/39

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**Magnetoresistive head with complementary easy axis permanent magnet - has structure such that similar opposite demagnetisation field is generated in biasing structure as in sense film**

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US 4903158	A	19900220	US 88225418	A	19880728	199014 B

Priority Applications (No Type Date): US 88225418 A 19880728

Patent Details:

Patent No	Kind	Lan Pg	Main IPC	Filing Notes
US 4903158	A	5		

Abstract (Basic): US 4903158 A

A **layer** of magnetically soft material e.g. permalloy is deposited on a ceramic substrate e.g. fosterite. This is followed by a **layer** of magnetic insulating **coating** of SiO<sub>2</sub>, and of magnetoresistive (MR) sense **film** about 400 Angstroms. Electric bonding pads are added to pass current through the **film**. A thin **coating** of SiO<sub>2</sub> is deposited on the sense **film** followed by a magnetically hard material **layer** of 1000 Angstroms. This is then magnetised permanently.

The structure has the same physical geometry as the MR sense **film** itself; whereby a similar, but opposite, demagnetisation field is generated in the biasing structure as is generated in the sense **film**. Thus, with the two demagnetisation fields complementarily cancelling each other, any tendency of the sense **film** for multi-domain formation is cancelled (or at least lessened), to preclude **Barkhausen noise** without excessively densensitising sense **film** with easy axis field in central region.

USE - Playback of magnetically recorded signals

Title Terms: **HEAD** ; COMPLEMENTARY; EASY; AXIS; PERMANENT; MAGNET;  
MAGNETORESISTIVE; STRUCTURE; SIMILAR; OPPOSED; DEMAGNETISE; FIELD;  
GENERATE; STRUCTURE; SENSE; **FILM** ; **BIAS**

Index Terms/Additional Words: **BARK HAUS EN\_N** ; NOISE

Derwent Class: T03; V02

International Patent Class (Additional): G11B-005/12

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XRPX Acc No: N89-100443

**Magnetoresistive read transducer assembly - exploits enhanced exchange bias field between layer and transversely biased ferromagnetic layer in intimate contact**

Patent Assignee: INT BUSINESS MACHINES CORP (IBMC ); IBM CORP (IBMC )

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US 4825325	A	19890425	US 87115142	A	19871030	198919
JP 1213819	A	19890828	JP 88204872	A	19880819	198940
CA 1306803	C	19920825	CA 572877	A	19880722	199240
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DE 3883146	G	19930916	DE 3883146	A	19881013	199338
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SG 9401510	A	19950317	SG 941510	A	19941017	199522
JP 7201016	A	19950804	JP 88204872	A	19880819	199540
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DE 3883146	G			G11B-005/39	Based on patent EP 314343
SG 9401510	A				Previous Publ. patent EP 314343
JP 7201016	A		6	G11B-005/39	Div ex application JP 88204872
CA 1306803	C			G11B-005/39	

Abstract (Basic): EP 314343 A

The **MR head** has a **layer** of soft magnetic material (12) on a substrate (14) sepd. by a nonmagnetic spacer **layer** (16) from a thin magnetoresistive ferromagnetic **layer** (18) of e.g. Ni-Fe alloy. The magnetic field is biased in a direction which is not parallel to the recording medium. The transverse bias field maintains a linear response mode in the magnetoresistive **layer** (18). A **longitudinal bias** field is produced by exchange coupling between this **layer** (18) and an overlying ultrathin anti-ferromagnetic **film** (20) of e.g. Fe-Mn, creating a single domain state for **Barkhausen noise** suppression.

USE/ADVANTAGE - For reading information signals from magnetic record carrier with high linear density. Produces relatively high exchange bias field is produced between the magnetoresistive and antiferromagnetic **films**, and remains stable during thermal cycling.

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Title Terms: MAGNETORESISTIVE; READ; TRANSDUCER; ASSEMBLE; EXPLOIT; ENHANCE ; EXCHANGE; BIAS; FIELD; **LAYER** ; TRANSVERSE; BIAS; FERROMAGNETIC; **LAYER** ; INTIMATE; CONTACT

Derwent Class: T03; V02

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XRPX Acc No: N85-061567

**Thin film magneto-resistive recording head - includes ferromagnetic thin film with coupling element to magneto resistive layer**

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Number of Countries: 003 Number of Patents: 005

Patent Family:

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GB 2146482	A	19850417	GB 843588	A	19840210	198516
DE 3404273	C	19870122				198703
US 4639806	A	19870127	US 84577389	A	19840206	198706
GB 2146482	B	19871231				198801

Priority Applications (No Type Date): JP 83228125 A 19831130; JP 83167312 A 19830909

Patent Details:

Patent No	Kind	Lan	Pg	Main IPC	Filing Notes
DE 3404273	A		32		

Abstract (Basic): DE 3404273 A

The heat has magnetic thin **films** (9,17) of high permeability, e.g. Ni-Zn-ferrite, Mn-Zn-ferrite, Sendust power TM, Permalloy power TM, etc., that act as magnetic shielding. Intermediate **layers** of an insulating material (10,12,16) are produced, e.g. SiO2, SiN, and

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Al2O3.

Premagnetisation is provided by a thin **film** (11), and another **layer** (13) is a magneto resistive element, e.g. Ni-Fe, Ni-Co, etc. A further **layer** (15) of conducting material, e.g. Al, Cu, Au, operates as a conductor to the magneto resistive element. A ferromagnetic thin **film** e.g. Ni-Co, Ni-Co-P, Co-P, Fe2O5 with high coercitivity provides a coupling element with the magneto resistive **film**.

ADVANTAGE - Has high signal to noise ratio.

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Title Terms: THIN; **FILM** ; MAGNETO; RESISTOR; RECORD; HEAD; FERROMAGNETIC;

THIN; **FILM** ; COUPLE; ELEMENT; MAGNETO; RESISTOR; **LAYER**

Derwent Class: T03

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**Magnetoresistive head and manufacturing method therefor**  
**Magnetoresistiver Abtastkopf und Herstellungsverfahren dafur**  
**Tete magnetoresistive et procede de fabrication**  
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A magnetoresistive head (10) including a first magnetic shield, a first electrode terminal (12) provided on the first magnetic shield and having a first width or height, and a magnetoresistive film (14) provided on the first electrode terminal and having a second width or height less than or equal to the first width or height. The magnetoresistive head further includes a second electrode terminal (10) provided on the magnetoresistive film and having a third width or height less than or equal to the second width or height, and a second

magnetic shield provided on the second electrode terminal. Preferably, the magnetoresistive head further includes a plug electrode for connecting the second electrode terminal to the second magnetic shield, and a plug side wall protective insulating film for covering a side wall of the plug electrode.

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...SPECIFICATION are the finest portions of the MR element.

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As shown in FIG. 20A, a magnetic domain control film 18 is uniformly deposited. The magnetic domain control film 18 may be provided by a high-coercivity film such as a CoCrPt film or by an antiferromagnetic film such as a PdPtMn film. After forming a photoresist pattern, the magnetic domain control film 18 is etched back by ion milling to obtain a desired shape and thickness of the magnetic domain control film 18. As shown in FIG. 20B, an interlayer insulating film 42 of SiO<sub>2</sub> or Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, for example, is deposited and next planarized by etch-back or chemical...